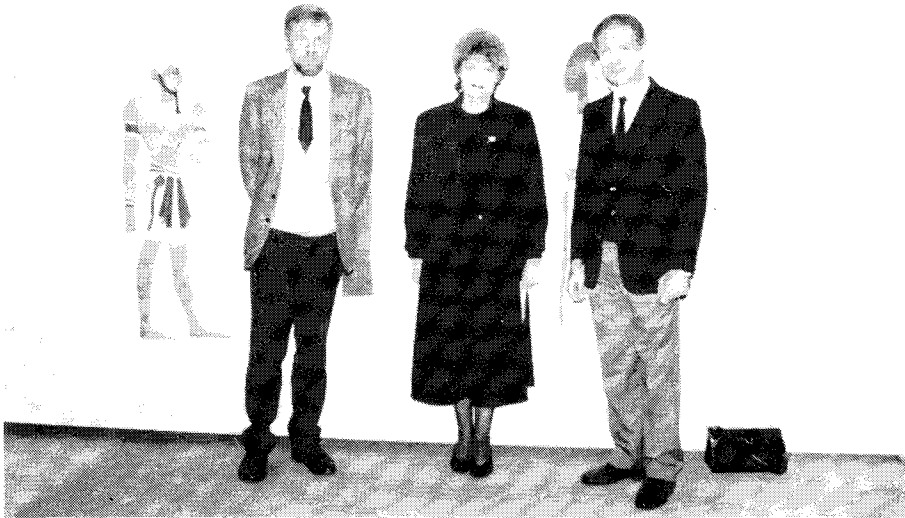


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A Visit to Egypt of the Pharaohs

The lecture series was extremely well attended, with Price Theatre filled to capacity. In the afternoon the Brunner Library was launched by the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Di Yerbury, who spoke of the history of this collection, how it was built up by Professors Helmut and Emma Brunner and how the library came to be acquired by Macquarie University. A special display was arranged by the Macquarie University Library staff showing a representative sample of the various publications in the collection.

The launch was a very special occasion marking a new stage in the development of Egyptology at Macquarie. In the future, students from Australia and overseas will be able to complete their research in Egyptology at Macquarie.

The collection is being paid for by instalments, and contributions, which are tax deductible, will be greatly appreciated.

A.C.E. Special Dinner

We remind members of the A.C.E. Special Dinner on FRIDAY 4 September at the Hyatt Kingsgate Hotel.

As previously announced, the Dinner is being held in honour of Joan Beck's newly conferred Fellowship of the University.

Numbers are limited. Cost: \$40 (incl. complimentary parking)

Courses Planned

Mr Michael Birrell will conduct a 10 weeks course, "**Tombs and Burial Rites of the Ancient Egyptians**", each Tuesday commencing 28 July, 1992, from 7-9 pm.

Cost: \$80 (members \$75)

Dr Boyo Ockinga will conduct a 6 weeks **Reading Course in Hieroglyphs**, to be held each Wednesday commencing 9 September. Texts have been selected from the *Book of the Dead*, including Ch. 125, the judgement before Osiris. The Course will include a discussion of the religious concepts. (Subject to 20 participants).

Cost: \$50.

"60 Minutes" Program

The long awaited information from the Manchester Team regarding the Macquarie University Mummy Project has finally arrived. This information will enable the "60 Minutes" program to be completed and, hopefully, it will be shown in the very near future.

The A.C.E. Study Tour of Egypt, January 1993

The Study Tour departs Sydney on 2 January, 1993 and returns to Sydney on 26 January. Included in the tour will be visits to the Macquarie dig at Deshasha and many sites not normally on the tourist itinerary. Dr Boyo Ockinga will accompany the group as lecturer and copies of the Itinerary can be obtained from Joan Beck, School of History, Macquarie University, 2109.

Cost: \$6,000

Newcastle Tour of Egypt, January 1993

Mrs Esther Kilkelly will lead a sixteen day 'budget tour' of Egypt departing Sydney 2 January, 1993. The group will visit the Deshasha site as well as Sinai. The Itinerary can be obtained from Mrs Kilkelly on (049) 33 2528 (after 4 pm).

Cost: \$4,300 (subject to rise in airfares)

Tour of Northern Greece and Turkey, 1-28 October, 1992

It is still possible to accommodate a limited number of members on the four weeks tour.

Cost: \$6,000

Visiting Scholars - 1992

Dr Sheila Whale will be joining the staff of the University for two months, August/September 1992. During her stay she will give lectures to students enrolled in the "Early Civilizations" Course. Members will recall that Dr Whale was our Visiting Fellow in 1988. Her research interest lies in the aspects of the family in the New Kingdom. Her book, *The Family in the XVIIIth Dynasty of Egypt*, published by the A.C.E., is available from Joan Beck, School of History.

During her stay, Dr Whale will be available for consultations with students.

Dr Mark Collier, Research Fellow at Corpus Christi College, Cambridge, will visit Macquarie University for two months, August/September 1992. Dr Collier specialises in languages. During his stay he will give an illustrated public lecture at Macquarie, "Images of the Ancient Egyptians", on FRIDAY, 11 September at 8.15 pm.

Visiting Scholar - 1993

The distinguished scholar, **Professor Harry Smith**, Professor of Egyptology at University College London, has accepted the invitation of Macquarie University to be "Visiting Research Scholar" for 1993. This scheme, which is extremely competitive, invites up to twelve distinguished overseas scholars in different fields of specialisation to visit Macquarie University for a period of up to eight weeks.

Professor Harry Smith will be in Sydney working at the Australian Centre for Egyptology during August and September, 1993. The Professor is one of the most distinguished field archaeologists to have worked in Egypt. He has excavated many sites but is particularly renowned for his work at Memphis and Nubia.

During his visit he will take part in many seminars and will also give a number of public lectures.

The A.C.E. Bulletin, 1992

The A.C.E. Bulletin, 1992, will be forwarded with the next Newsletter in November. The Bulletin is included in a member's annual subscription. Copies of Vols 1 and 2 are available for \$10 (members \$8) plus \$3 postage.

Publications

This is a particularly productive year in terms of publications.

The following volumes will be available later in the year:

REPORTS:

The Rock Tombs of El-Hawawish: The Cemetery of Akhmim Vol. X

In addition to the report on some finds made during the last season, the final volume includes an index to all 10 volumes.

The Rock Tombs of El-Hagarsa Vol. I - N. Kanawati.

STUDY:

Akhmim in the Old Kingdom, Vol. I - N. Kanawati with a chapter by A. McFarlane.

This is a synthesis study of the tombs and a detailed comparison with other contemporary cemeteries.

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