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Dr Tapp of Manchester University examining one of the mummies

Progress Report on the Mummies Project

As members already know, the mummies discovered by the A.C.E. at El-Hagarsa have received international attention, with scientists from the University of Manchester, U.K. and Brigham Young University, Utah, U.S.A. joining the Australian team in this investigation. As such a find of six mummies belonging to one family offers a unique opportunity to answer many of the medical and sociological questions relating to ancient Egypt, the complete analysis is expected to be a lengthy process and may require further samples to be taken and examined even by future generations when new techniques are developed. However, the results of the first examination of these mummies are now complete and will be presented by scholars from Macquarie University and Brigham Young University at the International Conference, *Ancient History at a Modern University*, which will be held at Macquarie University from 8-13 July, 1993. The Conference is in honour of Prof. Edwin Judge who retires in July, 25 years after establishing Ancient History at Macquarie University..

Courses for the Second Semester

To celebrate the 25th Anniversary of the introduction of Ancient History at Macquarie University, we are offering a variety of courses by Australian specialists in addition to two courses offered by our distinguished visitor, Professor Harry Smith of University College London. It is hoped that our members will find the courses both interesting and stimulating.

To help us with practical arrangements, interested members are requested to complete the appropriate section(s) in the enclosed forms and return them to Joan Beck urgently.

* An 8 weeks course, *The Archaeology of Jordan and Syria* will be given by Dr Alan Walmsley each MONDAY from 7-9 pm commencing 5 July. Cost: \$70 (members \$65).

* An 8 weeks course, *Professional Life in Ancient Egypt*, will be given by Mr Michael Birrell each TUESDAY from 7-9 pm commencing on 27 July. Cost: \$70 (members \$65).

* An 8 weeks course, *The Kings of the Late Assyrian Empire*, will be given by Mrs Jo Hall each FRIDAY from 7-9 pm commencing 30 July. Cost: \$70 (members \$65).

* An 8 weeks course, *From Womb to Tomb: Life in Ancient Egypt*, will be given by Mrs Gael Callaghan each WEDNESDAY from 7-9 pm commencing 4 August. Cost: \$70 (members \$65).

* PROFESSOR HARRY SMITH of University College London, will give an 8 weeks course, *The History and Archaeology of Nubia and its Relations with Egypt*, each THURSDAY from 7-9 pm commencing 5 August. Cost: \$70 (members \$65).

* PROFESSOR HARRY SMITH will give a 6 weeks course, *Egypt & Nubia: Evidence from Inscriptions*, each FRIDAY from 7-9 pm commencing 6 August. Cost: \$50 (incl. members).

* A 6 weeks course, *Ancient Greeks Pt. I: Background in History*, will be given by Mrs Tina Ashburner each MONDAY from 9.45 am-12 noon commencing 9 August. Cost: \$100 (incl. members).

* An 8 weeks course *New Slants in New Kingdom Egyptian History*, will be given by Mrs Gae Callender each TUESDAY from 7-9 pm commencing 7 September. Cost: \$70 (members \$65).

* A 6 weeks course, *Ancient Greeks Pt. 2: Everyday Life, Religion and Drama*, will be given by Mrs Tina Ashburner each MONDAY from 9.45 am -12 noon commencing 11 October. Cost: \$100 (incl. members).

Public Lecture by distinguished visitor

An illustrated lecture on "Excavating a pyramid of Snefru and a Christian cemetery" will be given on Wednesday 14 July by Professor C. Wilfred Griggs, professor of Ancient Studies at Brigham Young University, Utah, U.S.A. Admission FREE.

Ancient History at a Modern University Conference

The Conference is to be held at Macquarie University from Thursday 8 to Tuesday 13 July, 1993.

Members of the Foundation are advised that as the Egyptology lectures are to be held on SATURDAY 10, morning and afternoon, the cost of \$35.00 will also include Professor Harry Smith's lecture on MONDAY evening 7 July. Please keep your receipt when you pay on the Saturday as this will give you entry to Professor Smith's lecture on Monday.

A Conference Dinner will be held on Saturday 10 July and the cost is \$45.00 per head. Please contact Mrs Pat Geidans (805 7512) if you are planning to attend.

TOURS

Some places are still available in all tour groups. If you are interested please let us know as soon as possible. Forms are enclosed.

A NON-REFUNDABLE deposit of \$500 is required on each tour.

Tour of Crete, Rhodes and Southern Turkey:

Joan Beck is leading this tour which will depart Sydney on Monday 4 October 1993, and return on Wednesday 3 November 1993.

The cost of \$6,000 includes all air and ferry travel, accommodation (twin share), bed and breakfast in all hotels with nine dinners in Turkey/Greece, visits to all sites in Itinerary and tipping and taxes in Greece and Turkey.

Tour of Syria and Jordan:

Dr Alan Walmsley (Lecturer) and Mrs Esther Kilkelly (Leader). The tour departs Sydney by Gulf Air on 28 December 1993, and returns 19 January 1994.

The cost of \$5,800 includes return economy airfare, all accommodation (twin share), transfers, visits to sites, and lectures by Dr Walmsley.

Detailed Study Tour of Cairo, Luxor and Aswan:

Dr Boyo Ockinga will be the Lecturer on this tour which departs from Sydney 3 January 1994 by Singapore Airlines. The tour lasts three weeks and dates are to be confirmed.

The group will be given a detailed study of museums, temples and tombs in Cairo, Luxor and Aswan.

The cost of \$6,000 includes return economy air fare, internal travel in Egypt, accommodation (twin share), transfers, visits to sites and lectures by Dr Ockinga.

Publications

Members are advised that the Study *Akhmim in the Old Kingdom*, Pt. I, Kanawati & McFarlane, Sydney, 1993, and *The Tombs of El-Hagarsa I*, Kanawati, Sydney, 1993, are now available. Both publications are \$35.each (members \$30).

Copies of the A.C.E. *Bulletin* Vols. 1, 2 & 3 are also available at \$10 each (members \$8). Volume 4 will be available in November and a copy will be forwarded to each member as part of the annual subscription.

Ankh Antiquarian Books

Ms Jennifer Jaeger (P.O. Box 28, Oakleigh, Victoria 3167) has a large range of books available. The titles cover Egyptology as well as other ancient cultures. She will be attending the Conference on Saturday 10 July and will have a selection of books for sale.

Also at the Conference, the A.C.E. will have sweat shirts, socks and T-shirts for sale.

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