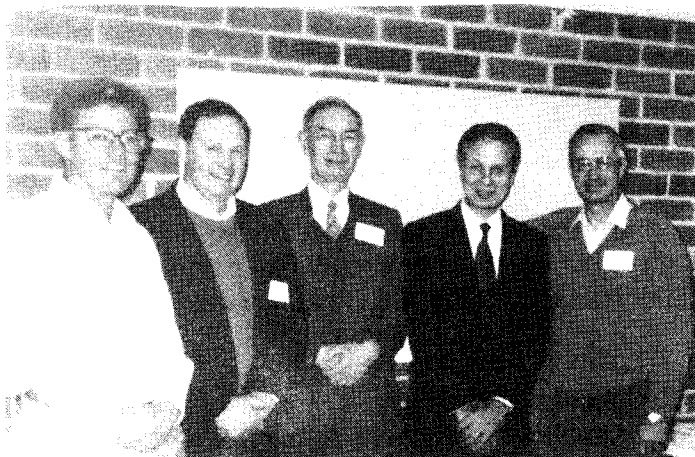




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Conference: Ancient History in a Modern University

An International Conference: *Ancient History in a Modern University* was held at Macquarie University from 8-13 July, 1993, to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the introduction of Ancient History at Macquarie. The occasion was also used to mark the retirement of Professor Edwin Judge from the Chair of Ancient History (see below).

The Conference was extremely well attended with approximately 350 participants including many international scholars. The Conference was organised in concurrent sessions dealing with the various civilisations of the Near East and the Classical World.

Lectures in Egyptology were given by Professor Harry Smith (University College London), Professors C.W. Griggs, S.R. Woodward and M.J. Rowe (Brigham Young, Utah, USA), Professor N. Kanawati, Dr B. Ockinga, Miss M. Ilich and Ms V. Stone (Macquarie). The results of the medical and DNA examinations of El-Hagarsa mummies by Australian scholars as well as by

those of the University of Manchester (England) and Brigham Young University (Utah), were released. Discussions with the Brigham Young scientists attending the Conference revealed that although a number of questions were solved, other more specific problems require further investigation and it was agreed that a joint Australian-American team would carry out the new examinations in Egypt in January 1994. The initial findings of the project are now published in *BACE* 4 (1993).

Professor Edwin Judge retires from the Chair of Ancient History

Professor Edwin Judge, who established Ancient History at Macquarie University, retired from the Chair after twenty-five years of service. During that time he built up the discipline of Ancient History and made Macquarie one of the strongest institutions teaching ancient world studies in Australia and internationally. Professor Judge encouraged and supported both teaching and research in the various areas of the ancient Mediterranean world and, as a result, Macquarie now offers an excellent and coherent major in Ancient History which also includes archaeology and ancient languages.

Professor Judge also supported the creation of Research Centres and Foundations to promote and co-ordinate research in specific areas. During his professorship he was instrumental in the creation of the Ancient History Documentary Research Centre, the Australian Centre for Egyptology, the Ancient History Teaching Collection, the Macquarie Ancient History Association, the Rundle Foundation for Egyptian Archaeology, the Society for the Study of Early Christianity, the Sir Asher Joel Foundation and the Foundation for the Study of Ancient Cultures.

Although Professor Judge has retired from the Chair of Ancient History, he continues at Macquarie as Acting Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research). He also remains the Director of the Ancient History Documentary Research Centre.

Professor Harry S. Smith Visiting Research Fellow of Macquarie University

Professor Harry Smith of University College London spent August and September at Macquarie University as a Visiting Research Fellow of the University. In addition to discussions on research matters with staff and students, he offered two Continuing Education Courses, *The Archaeology and History of Nubia & Its Relations with Egypt* and *Egypt & Nubia: Evidence from Inscriptions*, and organised regular classes to revise Egyptian grammar with post-graduate students.

He also participated in the Ancient History Conference and gave public lectures in Sydney, Melbourne and Adelaide. Professor Smith has made a great contribution to Egyptology in Australia.

The 1993/94 Season in Egypt

The Australian Centre for Egyptology has three planned expeditions to Egypt in the coming season. Dr Ockinga will lead a team to continue the work of excavating, recording and restoring the tomb of Amenemope (see report on previous seasons in *BACE* 4 [1993]). Mrs Gael Callaghan is leading a team to complete the restoration of the tombs at Deshasha. The recording of this site has been completed and is now published (Kanawati & McFarlane, *Deshasha: The Tombs of Inti, Shedu and Others*, Sydney, 1993). Professor Kanawati will begin archaeological work on the new concession at Deir El-Gebrawi, near Asyut, and, with the scientific team from the Brigham Young University, Utah, will continue the examination of the mummies previously discovered at El-Hagarsa.

Courses: First Semester, 1994

* A 6 weeks course, *Introduction to Writing in the Ancient World*, will be conducted by Mrs Tina Ashburner each MONDAY from 9.45 am to 12 noon commencing 28 February.

Cost: \$100.

* A 10 weeks course, *Introduction to Egyptian Colloquial Arabic*, will be conducted by Professor N. Kanawati and Mrs W. Sislian each THURSDAY from 7-9 pm commencing 10 March.

Cost: \$80 (members \$75).

* An 8 weeks course, *The Kings of the Late Assyrian Empire*, will be conducted by Mrs Jo Hall each FRIDAY from 7-9 pm commencing 11 March.

Cost: \$70 (members \$65).

* An 8 weeks course, *Aspects of Ancient Egypt*, will be conducted by Mrs Juliette Bentley each MONDAY from 7-9 pm commencing 4 April.

Cost: \$70 (members \$65).

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Courses for the Second Semester will include:

From Womb to Tomb (Mrs Gael Callaghan).

Ancient Egyptian Religion (Dr Boyo Ockinga).

Other courses are being planned by Dr Alan Walmsley and Mrs Gae Callender.

These courses will be announced in the next Newsletter.

A.C.E. Tours

A Tour of Crete, Rhodes and Southern Turkey was led by Miss Joan Beck in October 1993. It is hoped that tours to Egypt and Syria/Jordan will be organised in 1994/95. Further information will be given in the next Newsletter.

Friday Night Discussion Group

The Discussion Group will hold three meetings in November, on Fridays of 12th, 19th and 26th, from 7-9pm in W6A 420. Everyone is welcome to attend and there is no charge.

The Group will meet again in 1994 on Fridays commencing February 18.

Membership

Subscription renewals are due in FEBRUARY, 1994 and renewal forms will be forwarded with the next Newsletter. Members joining after NOVEMBER in any year become members for the following year.

Publications

Members are advised that the following publications are now available and the cost is \$35 each (members \$30).

Akhmim in the Old Kingdom, Pt. I, Kanawati & McFarlane, Sydney, 1993.
The Tombs of El-Hagarsa Vols. I & II, Kanawati, Sydney, 1993. (Vol. II includes a full medical report on the mummies discovered at El-Hagarsa).
Deshasha: The Tombs of Inti, Shedu and Others, Kanawati & McFarlane, Sydney, 1993.

Copies of the *A.C.E. Bulletin* Vols. 1, 2 & 3 are also available at \$10 each (members \$8).

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