



THE EDITORS

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NEXT MEETING. . . NEXT MEETING. . . NEXT MEETING . . .

The next meeting will take place at the Kirribilli Neighbourhood Centre on Wednesday, 19 May at 6.30 p.m.

Speaker: Ms Drusilla Modjeska

Subject: Women in publishing in the 1930s.

RSVP: Narelle Konte 888 2733 by Monday, 17 August.

Cost: \$8.00.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

This was held on Wednesday, 31 March. The minutes of the 1981 AGM were read and accepted.

Apologies were received from Robin James, Margaret Olds, Rex Finch, Christine Astley-Bowden, Elaine Russell.

Jacqui Kent, presented the President's Report.

In 1981-82, we held meetings on the following subjects: What makes a book a success and how much can editors contribute to its success - Tim Hall, Bill Mackarell and Ron Abbey; Publishing for children - Elizabeth Fulton and Arthur McDougall; Copyright - Peter Banki, Bob Winder and Sandra Forbes; The good old days of publishing - Sam Ure Smith; The Macquarie Dictionary - Sue Butler, Kevin Weldon and Prof. Arthur Delbridge; and How to use the Mitchell Library and its resources - Paul Brunton. All meetings were well attended and interesting, and we all hope that this year will be similarly successful.

In conjunction with the Melbourne Society of Editors, we organised and produced a Register of Freelance Publishing Services. We also became members of the Australian Copyright Council because copyright is such an important aspect of publishing. The Council's

newsletters are very useful for keeping up with changes that occur in the law.

I would like to move a vote of thanks to Val McLennan and Janet Champion for their sterling work in preparing food after meetings. I'm sure you will all agree that they've done a really tremendous job. I also want particularly to thank Barbara Ker Wilson. Her advice and encouragement have been invaluable this past year

George Morrison presented the Treasurer's Report.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AS AT 31 MARCH, 1982

Cash at bank (I.B.D.)	1000.00
Cash at bank (Invest.)	832.54
Cash at bank (cheque)	861.83
Petty Cash on Hand	23.49
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	\$2717.86

Cash as at 31.3.81	1841.19
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RECEIPTS

Membership	1290.00	
Catering Reserve	408.10	
Freelance Register	15.00	
Christmas Party	1201.50	
Bank Interest	126.36	
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EXPENSES

Copyright Council	50.00	
Printing Newsletter	141.16	
Postage	311.26	
Stationery	46.85	
Rent	261.80	
Christmas Party	1332.22	
P.O. Box	16.00	
Cheque Book	5.00	
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Freelance Register

Jacqui Kent reported that 500 copies were produced for The Editors in in September. Copies were sent to all members of the ABPA - thanks to Sandra Forbes - to the Society of Industrial Editors, the ASA, and the literary editors of the Age, the Sydney Morning Herald, and the National Times. An update of the register is currently in production.

AJA Awards

Sue Butler reported on the survey that was carried out among members of The Editors. The results can be obtained from members of the committee. Two AJA issues were reported:

1. There has been a cost of living increase of 10% awarded. This takes effect from 1 January 1982. The new rates are:

Trainee	\$13 122
Assistant	14 144
Book Editor	16 235
Senior Book Editor	19 735

2. The AJA has presented the publishers with a new log of claims. The important point about this is that it aligns editors' salaries with the Metropolitan Dailies Award.

Trainee	\$11 715		
D Grade Book Editor	13 015	-	13 515 - 14 015
C Grade Book Editor	15 605	-	16 105 - 16 605
B Grade Book Editor	19 370	-	19 870 - 20 370
A Grade Book Editor	22 516	-	23 516
A2 Grade Book Editor	24 408	-	25 408
A1 Grade Book Editor	26 416	-	27 416

Election of Officers

The election was as per nominations and the committee will be the same as for 1981.

Other Business

It is proposed to run practical workshops during the year in between regular meetings. These sessions will be about two hours long and will draw on experts in all fields. It was resolved that a questionnaire be sent to members to find out areas of interest.

Interstate Members

There has been a request from Mr Jarvis Finger, Dept of Education, Queensland, for membership. It was resolved that a member of committee meet with the Queensland group to discuss their needs.

Asian Editors Meeting

A brief report was presented on this meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed and members had the usual superb meal and wine.

TAKE NOTE....TAKE NOTE....TAKE NOTE....TAKE NOTE....

In accordance with the wishes of the AGM, we have arranged a seminar on "What should editors expect from authors - and what advice to give". If the first meeting is successful and members show an interest, meetings will be held regularly. The first meeting will be addressed by Jennie Rowe, Managing Editor of A & R, and will deal with preparation of manuscript. Come along with your questions on proper setting out of tables, use of footnotes, preparation of artwork references, etc., etc., etc.

Date: Wednesday, 26 May 1982
 Place: Kirribilli Neighbourhood Centre.
 Time: 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.
 Fee: \$5.00