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Conservation challenges, solutions & collaboration opportunities in uncontrolled environments

**Conference to be held at
Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery
5 Argyle Street
Hobart TAS 7000, Australia
8–11 March 2012**

PROGRAMME - (as at 13 February 2012)

Thursday 8 March 2012

Arrivals – Hobart

- 16.00 Conference registrations open at Royal Tasmanian Society Rooms in the Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery (TMAG). (Enter via TMAG Admin entrance into Old Customs House on Davey Street, directly over the road from Constitution Dock)
- 17.30 Guided tour of Hobart's Antarctic heritage – Polar Pathways
- 18.30 End
- Rest of evening free

Friday 9 March 2012

- 8.00 Registration desk opens at Royal Tasmanian Society Rooms in the Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery (TMAG). (Enter via TMAG Admin entrance into Old Customs House on Davey Street, directly over the road from Constitution Dock).
Please note that you will need to sign in at the Admin desk first.
- 9.00 Conference Opening
- 9.00 Welcome by the Secretary-General of IPHC, Nigel Watson, Antarctic Heritage Trust, New Zealand (5 mins)
- 9.05 Welcome to delegates from the Director of the Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery, Bill Bleathman (5 mins)
- 9.10 Welcome to delegates from the President of Australia ICOMOS, Dr Jane Harrington (10 mins)
- 9.20 Opening remarks by the President of IPHC, Julian Bickersteth, International Conservation Services, Australia (15 mins)
- 9.35 Official conference opening address by Director, Australian Antarctic Division, Dr Tony Fleming (25 mins). 'Polar Science, the Past, the Present and the Future'
- 10.00 Address by the President of the Royal Society of New Zealand, Dr Garth Carnaby MNZM, D.Sc, FRSNZ (30 mins). 'Science and the Conservation of Antarctic Heritage'
- 10.30 Coffee/Tea break
- Presentations Topic A. (Challenges and Solutions in Uncontrolled Environments)
(20 minutes each including questions)
- 11.00 Introduction by Facilitator, Nigel Watson
- 11.05 'Challenges and Solutions in Uncontrolled Environments: Managing Cultural Heritage at Svalbard' Anne-Catherine Flyen, Norwegian Institute of Cultural Heritage Research (NIKU), Norway
- 11.25 'Fildes Peninsula – A Place of Threatened Historic Sites' Cornelia Lüdecke, Chair, SCAR History Expert Group, Germany
- 11.45 'The Whaling Stations of South Georgia' Michael Morrison, Purcell Miller Tritton, UK
- 12.05 'Conservation Challenges and Solutions at Ross Island Historic Huts' Al Fastier, Antarctic Heritage Trust, New Zealand
- 12.25 Wrap up of session by Facilitator
- 12.30 Lunch

- 13.30 'Excavation, Conservation and Interpretation at Mawson's Huts, Australian Antarctic Territory' Dr Ian Godfrey, Shipwreck Galleries, Australia
- 13.50 'Human Activities as a Protection and Management Challenges for 19th Century Sealing Sites on King George Island, Antarctica' Dr Michael Pearson, Heritage Management Consultants, Australia & Ruben Stehberg, Museo Nacional De Historia Natural, Chile
- 14.10 'Mawson's Hut replica plans update' David Jensen, Chair, Mawson's Huts Foundation
- 14.20 'Developing Fine Grain Policy to Link Management Plans and Works Programs: Mawson's Huts Historic Site' Geoff Ashley, Godden Mackay Logan, Heritage Consultants, Australia
- 14.40 Wrap up of session by Facilitator
- 14.50 Coffee/Tea break
- 15.20 Workshop Topic A. (Challenges and Solutions in Uncontrolled Environments)
- Facilitator: Julian Bickersteth
1. What are some of the main challenges facing heritage conservation at key sites in the polar regions?
 2. What is the impact of uncontrolled environments in site management?
 3. Most importantly, what solutions are being adopted to meet and overcome these challenges?
- 16.50 End of day's proceedings
- 17.45 Bus departs from Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery (TMAG) to Government House
- 18.00 Welcome Reception at Government House (Lower Domain Road, Hobart) in the presence of HE The Governor of Tasmania
- 19.15 Bus leaves Government House for Hadley's Hotel (34 Murray Street)
- Rest of evening free

Saturday 10 March 2012

09.00 Welcome: Nigel Watson

09.05 Video/Phone link to Antarctic Heritage Trust Winter Conservation team at Scott Base, Ross Island, Antarctica (20 minutes)

Presentations Topic B. (Conservation and Science – Collaborative Opportunities)
(20 minutes each including questions)

09.25 Introduction by Facilitator, TBA

09.30 ‘Monitoring at Mawson’s Huts 1998-2010: What Have We Learnt?’ Dr Ian Godfrey, Shipwreck Galleries, Australia

09.50 ‘How Can Fungal Decay Save Historical Buildings’ Johan Mattsson, Mycoteam AS, Norway

10.10 ‘Ross Sea Heritage Restoration Project: Action and Research’ Lizzie Meek, Antarctic Heritage Trust, New Zealand and John Greenwood, University of Canberra, Australia

10.30 Coffee/Tea break

11.00 ‘Collaboration: The Best Journey In The World’ Adam Wild, archifact Ltd, New Zealand

11.20 ‘Modern Science and Historical Data – Ships Journals and Diaries’ Dr Ursula Rack, Gateway Antarctica, New Zealand

11.40 ‘Archaeology & Conservation: 19th-century sealers’ material culture in Antarctica’ Andres Zarankin, Brazil

12.00 ‘Laser Scanning at Polar Historic Sites – New Opportunities for Conservation and Science’ Russell Gibb, Geometria, New Zealand

12.20 Wrap up of session by Facilitator

12.30 Lunch

13.30 Workshop Topic B. (Conservation and Science – Collaborative Opportunities)

Facilitator: Dr Garth Carnaby

1. Where is the overlap between science and conservation?
2. How can we improve linkages? What programmes are in place? How can science help the conservation world?
3. What collaborative opportunities exist?

14.50 Closing remarks, President of IPHC, Julian Bickersteth

- 15.00 Coffee/Tea break. Formal end of conference
- 15.30 **IPHC Formal meeting.** IPHC Members only. Details and agenda to be advised.
- 17.00 End
- 19.30 Conference dinner. Henry Jones Hotel, Constitution Dock, Hobart.

Sunday 11 March

- 10.00 Guided Tour of Islands to Ice exhibition at Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery. (45 mins)
Meet outside main entrance of Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery in Argyle Street
- 10.45 Conclude Tour

To be followed by a series of public events on Sunday 11 March to celebrate Roald Amundsen's 1912 announcement of attainment of the South Pole. Brief overview below. For more details see: http://www.antarcticcentennial.tas.gov.au/events/antarctic_history:

- 11.00 Husky sled dogs muster at Elizabeth Street Pier, Hobart for run up Elizabeth Street.
- 11.30 Re-enactment of Amundsen announcement that he had reached the South Pole on the steps of the Hobart General Post Office. Norwegian Ambassador in attendance.
- 12.00 Husky dogs travel to St David's Park, via Macquarie Street, Murray Street and Davey Street.
- 12.00-16.00
Family friendly activities at St David's Park, including Antarctic displays, working dogs, children's amusement rides, food and drink. Amundsen walking tours of Hobart and the Royal Australian Navy Band- Tasmanian Contingent.
- 15.00-17.00
Amundsen High Tea at Hadley's Hotel featuring a talk by local Hobart polar historian John Williamson. Reservations directly with Hadley's Hotel +61 3 6223 4355. Cost AUD\$26 per person. Bookings essential.
- 17.00 Free public lecture by Amundsen expert and IPHC Vice President Susan Barr, Hadley's Hotel. Reservations directly with Hadley's Hotel +61 3 6223 4355.
- 18.00 END