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## NORTH AUSTRALIA RESEARCH UNIT PROFILE

In 1995, the North Australia Research Unit's (NARU) position within the Research School of Pacific and Asian Studies (RSPAS) was reviewed within the Institute of Advanced Studies. Following a report by the review committee, NARU underwent strategic restructuring in terms of management. For a short period NARU was relocated to the National Centre for Development Studies but, in August 1997, the Unit reverted to its former position and is directly accountable to the Director of RSPAS.

The location of the Unit in Darwin has made it something of a frontier research post for more than two decades. Opened in the early 1970s, the aggregate of scholars over the years, and even today, is a reflection of the inter-disciplinary nature of the research carried out at the Unit.

A large portion of that research has focused on the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples of Australia and, in that context, on the social, cultural, political, economic and development issues which are part of northern Australia. The range of research projects which are underway at any particular time depend very much on the priorities of the individuals who are engaged in the actual research. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander issues are of continuing importance in northern Australia and, consequently, to NARU. The reasons for this would be obvious to anyone who visits northern Australia – outside of Darwin, indigenous people comprise the majority of the population in the north.

In addition to NARU's traditional research there is now a very strong focus on governance and development in northern Australia, and in regions further north, particularly east Asia. Scholarly interest in this regional relationship has been substantial, adding considerably to the depth and breadth of NARU's cross-disciplinary role with the ANU.

As an integral part of the ANU, and RSPAS, the Unit offers scholars from Australia and around the world a unique opportunity to conduct research in one of the most remote academic outposts in Australia – perhaps, the world. NARU has excellent resources and site facilities, including a social science library which boasts a comprehensive collection of material on northern Australia and which is networked into the ANU library system in Canberra. The library and other facilities are reserved for NARU academics, visiting fellows, and students and demand is relatively high during the 'Dry' season. Enquiries are welcome and should be directed to either the Unit Director or the Administrator.

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## Introduction and Overview

The role of the North Australia Research Unit (NARU) is to provide a unique institutional base to facilitate links between social, economic, political and cultural aspects of regional and international research. Developments among the indigenous community of northern Australia, changes to the northern economy, and the implication of far reaching events in countries north of Australia, have sharpened the strategic research programs that NARU initiated in 1996. This has led to a continuation of research into issues concerning indigenous peoples in Australia's northern region and also encouraged further research into issues that influence governance among Australia's regions as well as those of east Asia. Against this background, two new academic appointments were approved in 1997 – an Economist (Research Fellow) and an Anthropologist (Post-Doctoral Fellow). Both academics will commence their appointment at NARU in the first half of 1998. Their projects are designed to cover, respectively, the development of concepts of regionalism and the coordination of sustainable land management and, from an anthropological perspective, a comprehensive approach to deepening the understanding of indigenous knowledge systems. The two appointments are jointly funded by the Australian National University and the Cooperative Research Centre for the Sustainable Development of Tropical Savannas (CRC).

The Unit's relationships with other tertiary and professional institutions were maintained, strengthened and expanded – many new institutional networks were created. Aside from individual academic collaborations, NARU's association with the ANU was particularly fruitful – several colleagues visited the Unit for research purposes and, at an institutional level, NARU will participate in the Centre for Democratic Institutions, to be located in the Research School of Social Sciences at the ANU. Engagements with academics at other leading institutions led also to a growing emphasis on cross-disciplinary ventures, in particular, with economists. This was reflected in our new appointments to extend the research dimension of indigenous issues within the CRC and also in the range of academics from national and international universities who visited NARU during 1997. NARU hosted many eminent visitors from the United States, Canada, Italy, Indonesia and from across Australia. Coupled to the orientation towards new and continued research, NARU academics were involved in typically scholarly activities, such as book launches, media interviews and teaching – the first NARU publication for 1997 (by Bill Pritchard) was launched by the Chairman of the Northern Land Council, Galarrwuy Yunupingu: the last publication for the year (edited by Christine Fletcher) was launched by the Northern Territory Chief Minister, Shane Stone.

Indigenous issues remained to the fore of NARU's agenda. To mark the passing of Dr HC 'Nugget' Coombs, a long-time visiting fellow at NARU, the Nugget Coombs

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Forum for Indigenous Studies was re-established. The Forum is designed to provide field grants for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students to visit NARU for the purpose of developing methodological skills towards undertaking a post-graduate degree. In effect, this is a continuation of Nugget's objectives. To pursue Nugget's aims, NARU has formed a partnership with the JABAL Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Centre to link the Forum into indigenous student resources at the ANU. The aims of the Forum have generated a lot of interest from Nugget's supporters everywhere and, in December, Professor RD Terrell, Vice-Chancellor of the ANU, offered financial support from the ANU's Endowment Fund on the condition that NARU would provide matching grants.

Joint projects with the University of Adelaide to further extend NARU's interest in developing a regional focus also took shape during the latter half of 1997 in a way that adds new dimensions to NARU's existing research programs. The joint venture includes the addition of an international economic aspect to NARU's northern focus, allowing the parameters of our research to be broadened. The research lends itself, ideally, to practical application and the collaborators, NARU and the South Australian Centre for Economic Studies (SACES), received a grant from the Institute of Advanced Studies (IAS) to further develop the project.

During the year, a research assistant was appointed on a short term basis to gather statistical data for NARU's Eastern Indonesia project, a project that facilitated several collaborative arrangements between NARU and other universities. There were also several changes to NARU's general staff, mostly resulting from reforms initiated in 1996. Among these were changes to the management structure of NARU publications section and a 50 percent reduction of staff members in the NARU library. A reorganisation of NARU's management, combined with a more accountable consultancy regime, has produced a shift towards achieving greater balance between research and consultancies and now meets the academic guidelines of the ANU.

NARU's buildings and grounds also received attention during the year: funds were allocated to refurbish the Seminar Room, the Manor and 'Nugget's Place'. Following the renovation of NARU's Seminar Room, and in between seminars, the area has been in demand from various government agencies as a venue for workshops. The Centre for Fine Arts at the Northern Territory University presented the Unit with a large framed print, especially for the Seminar Room, by Djalal Gurruwiwi (Galpu, Dhuwa Moiety) from Yirrkala. NARU hosted several traditional Aboriginal artists from Arnhem Land as students of the Centre for Fine Arts during the year. The refurbishment of 'Nugget's Place' was also a benefit, enabling NARU to extend its office space and adding an area of quiet research for visitors to occupy when rooms in the main building are at a premium during the Dry season. NARU's gardens and grounds have been maintained in peak condition and, in October 1997, a program to regenerate NARU's natural vegetation began and is due for completion before the close of 1998.

Since the implementation of the Review by the Research School of Pacific and Asian Studies, NARU has progressively undergone a substantial change in the overall management of the Unit with most of the changes to the administrative side of NARU having taken effect by the close of 1997. The outcome has meant a more coordinated approach between the Unit Administrator, Janet Sincock, and the Unit Director, to the daily operations of the Unit. Over the course of the year, Mrs Sincock spent several days

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each quarter auditing the other general staff positions to gain some insight into the way NARU performs with regard to both the regular operations of the Unit and, also, the Unit's obligations to the ANU. For the first time, this gave NARU a valuable basis on which to evaluate NARU's running expenses and to develop a realistic Budgetary plan.

Overall the North Australia Research Unit (NARU) has refined its research and administrative position within the ANU, moving closer toward meeting the expectations of the Research School of Pacific and Asian Studies, outlined in the recommendations of the 1995 review into the Unit's performance.

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Dr Christine Fletcher and the Hon Shane Stone, Chief Minister of the NT at the launch of NARU's publication *Government Business Relations between Eastern Indonesia and the Northern Territory*, at Parliament House, Darwin.

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## Research activities

### Dr Christine Fletcher

Dr Fletcher's research activities reflected a combination of her own specific interests as well as those generally associated with the strategic research directions of NARU. Her work continued to centre around questions of the role of institutions in determining how government resources are organised. Her research during the year was concerned with relationships between governments, the position of indigenous peoples within Australian civil society, government developments between the Northern Territory and Indonesia, and the role of the Commonwealth Grants Commission in Australia. Greater equity between governments and communities is seen as a priority for the future of indigenous communities in northern Australia and this was reflected in the terms of reference for a consultancy between the ANU and the Northern Land Council in December 1997, undertaken by Dr Fletcher.

In relation to the broader question of NARU's research directions, the Unit Director was involved throughout the year with reinforcing cross-disciplinary partnership with academics in the Research School of Pacific and Asian Studies (RSPAS, ANU) and with economists from the South Australian Centre for Economic Studies (University of Adelaide). These partnerships have led to linkages with academics, and government professionals more generally, who specialise in societies and economies in the Asia/Pacific region to the north. This allowed NARU to deepen its research focus into aspects of northern issues which require a collaborative approach.

NARU's interest in east Asia, particularly Indonesia, brought the Unit Director into contact with an additional research market and, in March, she was invited by the Department of Asian Relations, Trade and Industry to participate in the inaugural meeting between Australia's Minister for Foreign Affairs, Alexander Downer and Indonesia's Minister Hatarto when they met in Indonesia to sign the Australian Indonesian Development Area Agreement (AIDA). The meeting was held in Ambon. AIDA, and the expanding research connections between NARU and the Commonwealth and Northern Territory governments led to a busy year for the Unit Director involving her in seminars, workshops and official presentations concerned with Australia's relationship with Indonesia.

At the request of the Foreign Affairs Sub-Committee of the Joint Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade, the Unit Director was asked to prepare a written submission on the Northern Territory's relations with east Asia and to make a verbal presentation to the Committee during their visit to Darwin in August. She also was required to present a verbal submission on Federalism and Intergovernmental Relations

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to the Victorian Parliamentary Committee on Federal-State Relations during their visit to Darwin.

Dr Fletcher was invited by the New South Wales Premier's Department to participate in the Constitutional debates to mark Sydney Centenary of the Federation Debates, held at the New South Wales Parliament in Sydney during September. In November, she was invited by the Brazilian government to speak to officials from the Ministry of Finance on federalism and intergovernmental relations in Australia. During that month also she was an observer at the Commonwealth Grants Commission's five yearly review of the relativities for distributing Commonwealth general purpose expenditure to all of the States and Territories.

Dr Fletcher presented a number of lectures to students at the Northern Territory University (NTU), notably in the Faculty of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies, the Education Faculty and in the relatively newly formed Centre for Indigenous Natural and Cultural Resource Management (CINCRM). She represented NARU on the Board of CINCRM at various times of the year. As a member also of the CINCRM publications committee, the student selection committee and, the Centre for Social Research (NTU), she was involved regularly with academics and students from NTU.

She also had several media commitments which emerged as a combination of her own interest in Australian Federalism and also out of NARU's new regional focus on east Asia. Her interests on federalism led to her appearance on ABC National's Late Night Live, together with the Chairman of the Northern Land Council, Mr Yunupingu, Senator Collins, and two Northern Territory MPs: she was a speaker also on Australia Talks Back, and appeared regularly on Northern Territory ABC radio and on both ABC and commercial television – issues covered include the Northern Territory elections, regional development and government-business relations in Indonesia.



Dr Christine Fletcher, The Hon Alexander Downer MP (Minister for Foreign Affairs), Mr John Dauth (First Assistant Secretary, South and South East Asia Division, Department of Foreign Affairs & Trade), Africa Zanella (Executive Director, International Trade Development Division, Qld Department of Economic Development & Trade), Simon Johnson (Director, WA Department of Commerce & Trade), at the launch of AIDA (Australian Indonesian Development Area), Ambon, Indonesia.

## Dr Deborah Bird Rose

Deborah Bird Rose has continued her research into indigenous systems of ecological knowledge, and frontier ideologies in North Australia. Her publications and Conference speeches for this year reflect the dialogical quality of her work as it pursues questions of nationhood, racism, reconciliation, and Settler and Indigenous environmental ethics.

Her activities in the Cooperative Research Centre for the Sustainable Development of Tropical Savannas required numerous meetings with scholars and bureaucrats from a range of institutions including NTU, James Cook University, Northern Territory Department of Primary Industries and Fisheries (DPIF), CSIRO, Australian Nature Conservation Agency (ANCA), University of Wollongong, and others. Thus far Dr Rose's work has involved four main factors: the conduct of her own research and writing; organisation of the Northern Landscape Symposium and workshop in December, 1997; attendance at meetings and related paperwork of an organisational nature, including lobbying for funds; and liaison with students who seek to carry out field research, helping them to link up with organisations, individuals and communities who will facilitate and benefit from their work.



Dr Deborah Bird Rose, Teresa, Jimmy, Snowy, Mino and Charcoal at Timber Creek, September 1997

Dr Rose was a 'Distinguished Visitor' at the University of Adelaide in October and November, sponsored by the Departments of Anthropology, History, and Women's Studies. Her research on indigenous systems of ecological knowledge was pursued in a comparative context through consultations with Indigenous and other experts in the Pacific Northwest of the USA.

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She examined the theses of:

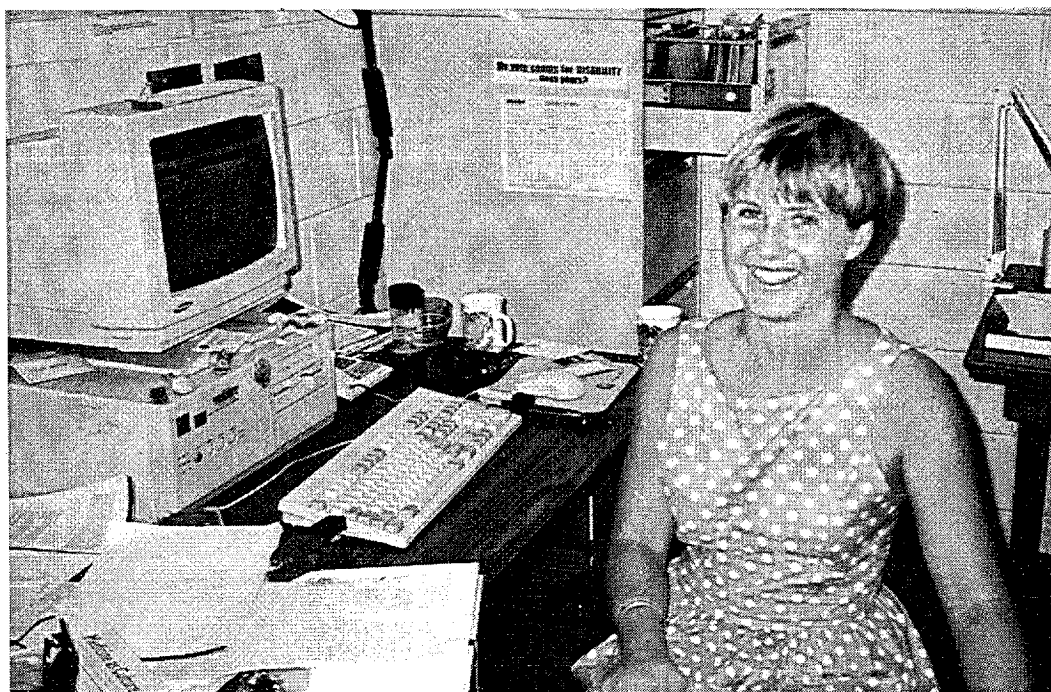
Heather McDonald, The Australian National University, 'Blood, Bones and Spirit: Aboriginal Christianity in Hall's Creek, Western Australia.'

Ingrid Slotte, The Australian National University, 'We are Family, We are One: An Aboriginal Christian Movement in Arnhem Land, Australia'.

## NARU PhD Students

### Ms Kate Senior

Kate Senior is examining Aboriginal perceptions of health, disability and quality of life, with the aim of developing a culturally appropriate quality of life measurement instrument for people living in remote Aboriginal communities. Kate attended the Australian Health Outcomes Collaboration Conference, 'Measuring and managing health outcomes, from policy to practice', held in Canberra in November. She presented a paper entitled 'Aboriginal quality of life: finding the right questions to ask'.



Kate Senior, ANU PhD student.

### Mr Rod Dixon

Rod Dixon, is an ANU PhD student working part-time at NARU to complete a PhD thesis in the Environment and Development Program, National Centre for Development Studies. His thesis topic concerns the origins and history of environmental stresses

threatening the productive resources of the island of Mangaia, southern Cook Islands. He explores reasons for the apparent absence of conservation action by Mangaians in the face of potential environmental crisis. Rod is also an adjunct fellow at the Centre for Indigenous Natural and Cultural Resource Management at the Northern Territory University where he is working on developing a text in Resource Management (with Professor M Langton). He lectures also in the Faculty of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies at the NT University.

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## Collaborative Research Projects

A number of joint projects between NARU/ANU and other institutions were pursued during 1997. Some of the collaborative arrangements, such as those between NARU and the Cooperative Research Centre for the Sustainable Development of Tropical Savannas (CRC) were already formally established but, until recently, most of the effort between the two institutions had been spent on developing a research program management structure which was capable of supporting the diverse institutional partnerships that comprised the different projects. NARU's involvement in the CRC takes place through a formal agreement signed between the ANU and the CRC on 1 July 1995. Under that agreement, intellectual contributions to the CRC flow directly from academic staff of NARU. Dr Rose is NARU's main academic contributor and throughout 1997 was involved in collegial activity with several academics on CRC related projects. She also convened a workshop in December which was funded directly from the CRC.

Other commitments between the CRC and the ANU involved the appointment of two academics to NARU – an Economist (Research Fellow), Mr Kannapiran Chinna Arjunan, and an Anthropologist (Post-Doctoral Fellow), Mr Richard Davis. Both appointees are due to submit their PhDs in March 1998. The projects are concerned with, first, the development of concepts of regionalism and the coordination of sustainable land management and, second, a comprehensive approach to deepening the understanding of indigenous knowledge systems. The two appointments are jointly funded by the ANU and the CRC. Dr Fletcher and Dr Graham Kirby (Northern Territory Department of Primary Industries and Fisheries) will be working together with Mr Chinna Arjunan on regionalism. Dr Rose will be collaborating with Mr Davis.

### Cooperative Research Centre for the Sustainable Development of Tropical Savannas (CRC)

NARU administered CRC grants totalling \$29 807 earmarked for the following:

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| Dr D Bird Rose to convene the "Northern Landscape Symposium II" (December) | \$6500 |
| Field work expenses                                                        | 1688   |
| Mr J Wearne for PhD field work                                             | 806    |
| Drs T Griffith & L Robin for savanna research expenses                     | 4900   |
| Ms A Dee for PhD scholarship (1997), and                                   | 7893   |
| Field work expenses                                                        | 1020   |
| Ms C Mobbs for PhD field work                                              | 7000   |

Project 4.2.1 of the Cooperative Research Centre for the Sustainable Development of Tropical Savannas focuses on cultural perceptions of savanna environments among Settler and Indigenous people. Leadership in this project is provided by Dr Rose and

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Dr Kirby (DPIF) with research carried out in this project by Dr Rose, Dr Tom Griffith (RSSS, ANU), and a group of PhD students whose work is in varying stages of completion: Jenny Atchison (Wollongong), Jane Bathgate (NTU), Anthea Dee (ANU), Nicholas Gill (UNSW), Catherine Robinson (Monash) and Jonathan Wearne (Melbourne University).

Collaborative research into landscape history and the use of fire has been undertaken by Jeremy Russell-Smith. Dr Rose will be providing information on environmental history based on her work with indigenous people in the Victoria River District. Darrell Lewis also is participating in this research with his spot-photography project. It is anticipated that Dr Tom Griffith's CRC-funded research will also contribute to this project.

Following the success of the 1996 Northern Landscapes Symposium, a second integrative and interactive symposium was organised for 1997: *Northern Landscapes in Story and History*. The aim was to produce new analytic knowledge in context with the comparative analysis of particular case material. The symposia provided a collegiate setting in which scholars working in Project 4.2.1 could engage with each other and with CRC scholars. The participation of a few outside specialists helps place the research in broader contexts of national and international expertise. The proceedings will be published later in the year.

The symposium was conducted at the Northern Territory Museum and was organised around the presentation of papers at the Museum on day one and then, on the second day, information was presented by Aboriginal people in Aboriginal country. The Symposium was funded by the CRC and convened by NARU and the Aboriginal Areas Protection Authority.

## Centre for Indigenous Natural and Cultural Resource Management (CINCRM)

The Centre for Indigenous Natural and Cultural Resource Management (CINCRM) was established at the end of 1996 as the result of funding from the Department of Employment Education Training & Youth Affairs (DEETYA). NARU/ANU is a partner to the Centre and, in January 1997, Dr Fletcher was appointed to the Board of CINCRM to participate in establishing strategic plans for the future of the Centre. Since that time, five indigenous post-graduate scholarships have been allocated directly out of CINCRM's establishment grant and several student research projects are currently being developed. There is also considerable interaction between CINCRM students and NARU. During 1997, Professor Marcia Langton (CINCRM) and Dr Fletcher were involved with Mr Paul Wand, RTZ Rio Tinto, in initial talks regarding the establishment of a jointly sponsored resource extraction and community development project.

## Faculty of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (FATSIS)

In October, in a collaborative arrangement with FATSIS, NARU invited Dr Marian Simms from the ANU to convene and teach a course in Public Policy at the NT University (NTU). The course was part of the Resource Management module at

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FATSIS. Dr Simms' involvement facilitated links in indigenous teaching between NTU and the ANU.

### Centre for Democratic Institutions (CDI)

NARU was included in the successful tender prepared and submitted to AusAID by the Director of the Research School of Social Sciences, ANU, to establish a Centre for Democratic Institutions (CDI) within RSSS. The CDI will be a multi-institutional centre, funded by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade for an initial period of 5 years.

### IAS Collaboration Scheme with other Australian Universities

In December 1997, Dr Fletcher developed a research project with Professor Cliff Walsh, South Australian Centre for Economic Studies (SACES), Universities of Adelaide and Flinders, to undertake a project to explore the establishment of a joint research program between the three Universities. The aim of the project is to explore regional economic, cultural and political linkages between South Australia and the Northern Territory with countries in the Asia-Pacific region. A working paper will be produced and the Universities will jointly convene a workshop in Darwin in June 1998. The project received a grant from the Institute of Advanced Studies (ANU) for \$15,000. SACES will provide a matching grant.

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## Academic Publications in 1997

Dr Christine Fletcher

1997. 'Federalism and Indigenous Peoples in Australia, in Michael E. Brown & Sumit Ganguly, (eds), *Government Policies and Ethnic Relations in Asia and the Pacific*, pp 395-420, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge Press, London, England, 395-420.

1997. *Equity and Institutional Reform in Aboriginal Australia and Zimbabwe: a Framework for Analysis*, Economics Division Working Papers, National Centre for Development Studies, RSPAS, ANU DP No.97/2.

1997. 'The Northern Territory and Eastern Indonesia - Developing the Neighbourhood Together' in C Fletcher (ed), *Government Business Relations Between Eastern Indonesia and the Northern Territory*, North Australia Research Unit, The Australian National University, Darwin, 1-8.

1997. 'Budgeting for Statehood in the Northern Territory', in C Fletcher & C Walsh (eds), *Budgeting for Statehood in the Northern Territory*, North Australia Research Unit, The Australian National University, Darwin, 3-8.

1997. 'Introduction: The State of the Territory in the Australian Federation' in C Fletcher (ed), *Federalism in the Northern Territory: Options for Fiscal Maturity*, North Australia Research Unit, The Australian National University, Darwin, 1-10.

editor, 1997. *Federalism in the Northern Territory: Options for Fiscal Maturity*, North Australia Research Unit, The Australian National University, Darwin.

editor 1997. *Government Business Relations Between Eastern Indonesia and the Northern Territory*, North Australia Research Unit, The Australian National University, Darwin.

editor with Walsh C, 1997. *Budgeting for Statehood in the Northern Territory*, North Australia Research Unit, The Australian National University, Darwin.

1997. The Irreverence of Post-Colonial Governments to Aboriginal Institutions, in Donald Denoon (ed), *Emerging from Empire? Decolonisation in the Pacific*, The Australian National University, Canberra, 153-160.

Dr Deborah B Rose

1997. 'Dark Times and Excluded Bodies in the Colonisation of Australia' in G Gray and C Winter (eds), *The Resurgence of Racism. Hanson, Howard and the Race Debate*, Monash Publications in History, Monash University, 97-116.

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1997. 'When the Rainbow Walks' in E Webb (ed), *Windows on Meteorology: Australian Perspective*, vol 1, CSIRO, Melbourne, 1-6.

1997. 'Common Property Regimes in Aboriginal Australia: Totemism Revisited' in P Larmour (ed), *The Governance of Common Property in the Pacific Region*, National Centre for Development Studies, Australian National University, 127-43.

1997. 'Australia Felix Rules Ok', in G Cowlshaw and B Morris (eds), *Race Matters: Indigenous Australians and 'Our' Society*, Aboriginal Studies Press, Canberra, 1281-38.

#### Dr Patrick Sullivan

1997. *A Sacred Land, a Sovereign People, an Aboriginal Corporation: Prescribed Bodies and the Native Title Act*, NARU Report No. 3/1997, North Australia Research Unit, The Australian National University, Darwin.

#### Mr Greg Crough

1997. *Indigenous Organisations, Funding and Accountability: Comparative Reforms in Canada and Australia*, NARU Report No. 2/1997, North Australia Research Unit, The Australian National University, Darwin.

#### Ms Prue Phillips Brown

with McLennan K & Black D, 1997. *Australia-Indonesia Relations: Anatomy of an Intergovernmental Agreement for Sub-National Statistics in the Northern Territory and the Eastern Provinces*, NARU Report No. 4/1997, North Australia Research Unit, The Australian National University, Darwin

### Conference papers presented

#### Dr Christine Fletcher

1997. 'The Political and Economic Scope of Sub-national Governments', conference *Constitutional Foundations: Reconciling a Diversity of Interests in a New Northern Territory Constitution for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century*, Darwin, 4-6 September.

1997 'Fiscal Federalism and Development', paper prepared for the *International Political Science Association*, Seoul, South Korea, 18-21 August.

#### Dr Deborah Bird Rose

1997. 'Indigenous Ecologies and an Ethic of Hope', conference *Environmental Justice: Global Ethics for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century*, Melbourne, 1-3 October.

1997. 'Indigenous Ecological Knowledge and the Scientific Community' in B McKaige, R Williams & W Waggitt (eds), *Bushfire '97: Proceedings*, CSIRO, Darwin, 8-10 July, 69-74.

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Ms Kate Senior

1997. 'Aboriginal Quality of Life: Finding the Right Question to Ask', paper presented at Australian Health Outcomes Collaboration Conference, *Measuring and Managing Health Outcomes: From Policy to Practice*, Canberra, 1 November.

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## ANU/NARU Consultancies

During 1997 Christine Fletcher worked with Patrick Markwick-Smith, Principal Adviser, Eastern Indonesian Development, South East Asia Group, Northern Territory Department of Asian Relations, Trade and Industry (DARTI), on a project on Australian investment in Eastern Indonesia. DARTI has committed \$5000 towards the project and NARU matched that amount "in kind". NARU also entered into a consultancy agreement with the Northern Land Council (NLC) to 'Evaluate Northern Territory Government Responses to the *Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Act 1976*', (\$11,000). A draft report was submitted to the NLC in December 1997. Dr Fletcher was principal consultant.

NARU's policy for visitors and academics is to cover their individual consultancy on-costs by budgeting for an additional 10 per cent (rising to 15 percent in 1998), consistent with ANU policy. During 1997, NARU academic and visitors contributed \$4084 from their private consultancies. Dr Rose undertook private consultancies for the Aboriginal Land Commissioner in relation to the Central Mt Wedge Land Claim, Simpson Desert (Wangkangurra) Land Claim and the Yorta Yorta/Bangerang Native Title Case. Dr Rose also carried out a private consultancy for the Northern Land Council on the Kenbi (Cox Peninsula) Land Claim. Samantha Wells, a PhD student from the Sydney University of Technology, worked as a consultant for the Central Land Council on the 'Alice Springs Native Title Claim'.

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## Nugget Coombs Forum for Indigenous Studies

### Dr H C Nugget Coombs (1906-1997)

The Nugget Coombs Forum for Indigenous Studies was established under the auspices of Dr HC 'Nugget' Coombs in 1992. The aims of the Forum are to assist Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to attain social justice by advancing their opportunities for education. During Nugget's illness the Forum languished and, after he passed away, NARU re-established the objectives of the Forum through encouraging linkages and support from the Vice Chancellor of the Australian National University, as well as through an arrangement with the JABAL Centre, also at the ANU, and through assistance from Nugget's friends. Professor RD Terrell, Vice-Chancellor (ANU), has offered financial support (\$100,000) from the ANU's Endowment for Excellence on the provision that NARU can raise matching funds.

The Forum will offer two field work scholarships to indigenous students from the ANU each year. The aim is to provide indigenous students with academic support in remote areas, to network them into indigenous organisations in Northern and Central Australia, and to encourage the development of methodological skills towards post-graduate research. NARU welcomes enquiries and financial support for the Forum. More information can be found at the back of this Annual Report.

### Nugget Coombs Lecture

NARU hosts the Dr HC (Nugget) Coombs North Australia Lecture annually. This lecture, established in 1996, was first presented by Michael Dodson. It is part of the ANU's Public Lecture series and honours Nugget Coombs. The 1997 Lecture was presented in Darwin at the Museum Theatre on 11 September by Professor Marcia Langton, Ranger Chair of the Faculty of Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Studies and Director of the Centre for Indigenous Natural & Cultural Resource Management, Northern Territory University. Professor Langton's lecture, *'Environmental Challenges for Indigenous Peoples in Northern Australia'* will be published in the NARU Discussion Paper series.



Professor Marcia Langton.

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## NARU Seminars, Conferences and Workshops

NARU continued its seminar series throughout 1997 with presentations from visiting academics, public sector professionals, and diplomats from within the region – all from widely diverse backgrounds. The year began with a Conference on the Northern Territory's Relations with Eastern Indonesia, held at Parliament House, Darwin. The Conference was convened by NARU with financial support from the International Business Council and the Northern Territory Department of Asian Relations, Trade and Industry. The theme of the conference was consistent with NARU's research agenda and this also was reflected in the seminar program more generally.

Seminars held at NARU throughout the year ranged across a variety of issues, including Aboriginal self-determination, the Aboriginal economy in the Northern Territory, Australia's intergovernmental agreement with Indonesia, the Native Canadian experience with post-colonialism, a precis of the region by Australia's Ambassador to the Philippines, Aboriginal music from Arnhem Land, critiques of works by Aboriginal authors, and Northern Territory attempts at Statehood. The last seminar for 1997 concerned selected findings of the Commonwealth Grants Commission's enquiry into the potential impact of an increase in the Aboriginal population, revealed in the 1996 ABS national census figures, on future Commonwealth expenditure to the States and Territories. Constitutionalism also received a substantial degree of attention from both a Northern Territory perspective and also from a European perspective – during August, NARU hosted three senior research economists from northern Italy. A range of comparable issues were raised at a public conference hosted jointly by NARU, the Legislative Assembly Sessional Committee on Constitutional Development, the Law Faculty at the Northern Territory University and the Constitutional Centenary Foundation. In the closing weeks of 1997, the Centre for Cooperative Research and NARU co-convened a conference on Northern Landscapes in Story and History – a workshop with a strong input from Aboriginal people and which flowed on from a workshop, entitled Tracking Knowledge, held at the same time in the previous year. Both of the conferences were financially supported by funds from the CRC.

### Conferences

#### *Northern Landscapes in Story and History*

Symposium jointly hosted by NARU, Co-operative Research Centre for the Sustainable Development of Tropical Savannas and the Aboriginal Areas Protection Authority, 8-9 December.

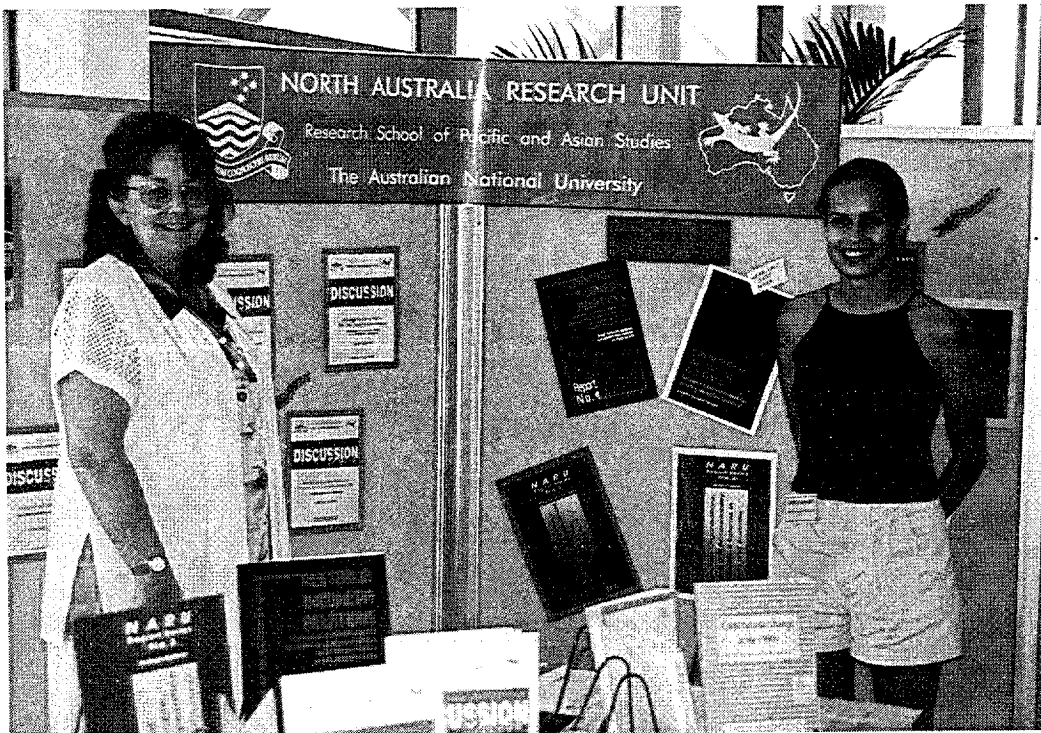
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*Constitutional Foundations. Reconciling a Diversity of Interests in a New Northern Territory Constitution for the 21st Century*

Conference jointly hosted by NARU, NT University, Constitutional Centenary Foundation and the Sessional Committee on Constitutional Development, Legislative Assembly of the Northern Territory, 4-6 September.

*Northern Territory Relations with Eastern Indonesia. A Framework for Cooperation*

Conference jointly hosted by NARU and the Department of Asian Relations Trade & Industry (with assistance from the International Business Council), 13-14 March.



Janet Sincock and Csenta Roberts assisted delegates with information about NARU and its publications at the *Constitutional Foundations Conference* held in Darwin.

## Seminars

### Mr Bob Searle

Secretary, Commonwealth Grants Commission, *Change in the Indigenous Population and the Distribution of Financial Assistance Grants*, 11 December.

### Dr Tony Barnes

Director, National Centre for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Statistics, Australian Bureau of Statistics, *Issues, Challenges and Initiatives for Statistics and Data Collection about Indigenous Australians*, 11 December.

### Ms Delphine Dupont

MA Ethnology, School of Higher Education in Social Studies, Paris, *The Flying Padre: Closer to you my God*, 30 October.

### Aaron Corn

PhD student, Music/Cultural Studies, University of Melbourne, *Dreamtime Wisdom: Modern Time Vision. Understanding Popular Music in Arnhem Land*, 26 September.

### Professor Ann Curthoys

History, The Faculties, The Australian National University, *Who were the Nomads? Expulsion, Exodus and Exile in Australian Popular Historical Mythology*, 9 September.

### Dr John Docker

Research Fellow, Humanities Research Centre, The Australian National University, *Sally Morgan's My Place: The Fictionality of Identity and the Phenomenology of the Converso*, 8 September.

### Professor Giancarlo Pola

Director of the Institute of Economics and Finance, University of Ferrara, Italy, *Recent Developments in Fiscal Decentralization in Europe*, 15 August.

### Dr Nonie Sharp

School of Sociology & Anthropology, La Trobe University, Melbourne, *Handing on the Right to Fish: The Law of the Land and Cross-Cultural Co-operation in a Gulf Community*, 14 August.

### Dr Winifred Wirkus-Subandi

Assistant Deputy Minister to Mr Hatarto, Indonesian Government Minister. Seminar jointly hosted by NARU and the Department of Asian Relations, Trade & Industry,

*Sub-Regional Economic Cooperation for Regional Economic Development: The Case of Eastern Indonesia*, 27 June.

Dr Ron May

Senior Fellow, Research School of Pacific & Asian Studies, The Australian National University, *The Current Constitutional Crisis in Papua New Guinea*, 19 May.

His Excellency Miles Kupa

Seminar jointly hosted by NARU and the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, *The New Philippines*, 8 May.

Ms Bu Wilson

Senior Case Manager, Native Title Tribunal (Darwin). *Wik and Native Title*, 1 May.

Professor Peter Russell

University of Toronto, Canada, *Fourth World Decolonisation: Canadian and Australian Experiences*, 17 April.

### Seminar papers presented by Unit visitors

Ms Samantha Wells

1997. 'Native Title and Oral History', paper presented at *the Annual Oral History Conference*, Alice Springs.

Associate Professor Colin Scott

1997. 'Our Feet are on the Land, but our Hands are in the Sea: Relations of Knowing, Relations of Responsibility', paper presented at *Northern Landscapes in Story and History*, Darwin, 8 December.

Ms Sue Jackson

1997. 'Northern Australia is Not Naturally a White Man's Country' paper presented at *Northern Landscapes in Story and History*, Darwin, 8 December.

Mr Nicholas Gill

1997. 'Making Country Good: Cattle in Central Australia' paper presented at *Northern Landscapes in Story and History*, Darwin, 8 December.

Ms Catherine Robinson

1997. 'Nature and Encounter: Early Colonial Interactions with the Coastal North' paper presented at *Northern Landscapes in Story and History*, Darwin, 8 December.

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Dr Nonie Sharp

1997 'Coexistence in Northern Landscapes: Journeys of Reconciliation' paper presented at *Northern Landscapes in Story and History*, Darwin, 8 December.

Dr Thomas Griffiths

1997 'Environmental History and Australia's Northern Frontier' paper presented at *Northern Landscapes in Story and History*, Darwin, 8 December.

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## Visitors to NARU

NARU hosted 77 formal visiting academics during 1997. In addition, there were 23 PhD and Masters students from around Australia and overseas who visited NARU for the purpose of fieldwork or for access to the NARU Library. Visitors stayed from a few days to several months depending on their research agenda – most visitors arrived and departed during the Dry season and many, although by no means all, presented seminars, participated in conferences, or engaged in collegial activity with other academics at NARU.

The majority of visitors were either ANU visiting fellows or Unit Visitors but there was also a number of people who, during short periods in Darwin, called into NARU for discussions on a variety of issues. Such visitors included

His Excellency Miles Kupa, Australia's Ambassador to the Philippines

Dr Brahim, Director of the National Institute of Health, Jakarta

Mr Brian Davidson, First Secretary at the British High Commission in Canberra

His Excellency Professor Hasu Patel, Zimbabwe High Commissioner, Canberra

Mr David Hartridge, Director of Trade and Services, World Trade Organisation,  
Geneva

Mr Anthony Fernando, Trade Commissioner with the Australian Embassy  
in the Philippines

Mr Gavin O'Connor, Parliamentary Secretary to the Federal Opposition Leader  
and Federal Member for Corio

Miss PM Griffin, AM, Pro-Chancellor of the Australian National University

Ms Margaret Ford, University Secretary, the Australian National University

Mr Neville Perkins, Director of the JABAL Centre, The Australian National  
University

There was a steady stream of visitors – some from the Northern Territory Government, the Opposition, the Native Title Tribunal, the Northern Land Council, the Australian Institute for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies, and so on. Some visitors, such as Dr Bernadette Masters, a Medievalist from the University of Sydney, came to question the research results of other visitors – notably, the dating of a Boab tree. Other visitors, such as Mr Peter Davidson from the NTEU, ACT Division, presented workshops for NARU staff on Enterprise Bargaining – many visitors from research institutes elsewhere were here simply to canvas and document NARU's research projects.

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## Visiting Fellows

### Professor Giorgio Brosio

*(Professor of Public Finance Department of Economics, University of Torino, Italy, 3-11/8/97)*

Giorgio Brosio has made several visits to the ANU over the past decade. He is one of Italy's leading economists and an expert on federalism in Europe, particularly the impact of the European monetary union on Italy's good fortunes. During this visit, Professor Brosio spent two weeks at the Commonwealth Grants Commission in Canberra before visiting NARU to review the Northern Territory's Draft Constitution and work on the second edition of his book on federal systems.

### Emeritus Professor Jane Goodale

*(Department of Anthropology, Bryn Mawr College, 1/1-31/3/97)*

Jane Goodale continued her research with the Tiwi people of Melville and Bathurst Islands. Professor Goodale is a distinguished feminist anthropologist and has had a long-term association with the Tiwi people dating back to the 1950s. She is writing a book entitled *Milikapiti – a Life History of a North Australian Community*.

### Professor Nobuko Iijima

*(Professor of Environmental Sociology, Department of Sociology, Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities, Tokyo Metropolitan University (Visiting Professor University of Sydney), 27/6-26/7/97)*

Nobuko Iijima carried out research into the environment movement in Australia including the indigenous people's movement for conserving the environment. Whilst at NARU, Nobuko Iijima met with environment agencies, land councils and attended meetings with the Gundjehmi Aboriginal Corporation in Kakadu.

### Professor Giancarlo Pola

*(Director, Institute of Economics and Finance, University of Ferrara, Italy, 2-20/8/97)*

Giancarlo Pola's visit to NARU followed research activities at the Commonwealth Grants Commission in Canberra and also at the Australian National University library. His research is focused on the question of how financial systems in federations operate.

Giancarlo Pola's main concern while at NARU was to examine the fiscal strength and weakness of the Australian federal system, including the authority of New Territories. He also studied fiscal and financial competition between the States.

On 15 August he presented a seminar on the theme 'Recent Developments in Fiscal Decentralization in Europe'.

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### Associate Professor Elizabeth Povinelli

*(Department of Anthropology, University of Chicago, 1/1-31/12/97)*

Elizabeth Povinelli received a research grant from the National Science Foundation and the Wenner Gren Foundation to assist with her research on land tenure and native title. Her time was spent carrying out field work in the Belyuen Aboriginal community.

### Professor Peter Russell

*(Department of Political Science, University of Toronto, 12/4/-20/4/97)*

Peter Russell is an eminent Canadian who served as Chair of Research on the Canadian Royal Commission into Aboriginal people. He was in Australia to research his latest book on the High Court Mabo judgment and was at NARU to renew his research acquaintances with Dr Fletcher. He also presented a public seminar at NARU entitled 'Fourth World Decolonisation – Canadian and Australian Experiences'. Professor Russell's time at NARU was spent on his chapter 'The Global Dimensions of Aboriginal Politics' for a volume entitled *Education for Good International Citizenship* which will be published by the Department of History and Politics, James Cook University, Townsville. On his return to Canberra he held a press conference at the Senate in Parliament House, Canberra – arranged by Senator Margaret Reynolds on "Native Title – International Perspectives" – which was based partly on work carried out at NARU.



Professor Peter Russell from the University of Toronto, Canada, presents a seminar at NARU.

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Dr Kenneth Sawers

(Darwin, 1/12/96-1/12/97)

Ken Sawers finalised his NARU consultancy on the relationship between the Northern Territory and Eastern Indonesia in March. He presented a paper on live cattle exports at a conference on the *Northern Territory Relations with Eastern Indonesia: A Framework for Cooperation*.

Associate Professor Colin Scott & Assistant Professor Monica Mulrennan

(Department of Anthropology, McGill University, 5-19/12/97; Dept of Geography, Concordia University, 5-19/12/97)

Colin Scott and Monica Mulrennan's project, 'Indigenous knowledge, marine resource management, and customary tenure at Erub', focuses on Islander knowledge of reef ecology and marine resources, customary tenure and the implications of tenure and resource management arrangements for native title and increased self-government in a home territory comprised of both land and sea. Their field research was conducted on Erub (Darnley Island) and Ugar (Stephen Island), Torres Strait. Colin Scott and Monica Mulrennan made use of the NARU library, consulted with colleagues and wrote up their field research notes. Colin Scott was the Keynote speaker at the *Northern Landscapes in Story and History* symposium which was jointly hosted by NARU, the Co-operative Research Centre for the Sustainable Development of Tropical Savannas and the Aboriginal Areas Protection Authority.

Dr Marian Simms

(Reader in Political Science, Arts Faculty. Currently Visiting Fellow in the Political Science Program, The Research School of Social Sciences, Political Science Department, Arts Faculty, Australian National University, 20-31/10/97)

Marian Simms was invited to the Faculty of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies at the Northern Territory University as a Visiting Fellow in a joint arrangement between NARU and FATSIS. She convened a 2-week teaching module on Australian Politics and Public Policy in the Certificate Course on Resource Management in FATSIS and presented a seminar on 'The Future of the Australian Party System'.

Dr Simms also undertook field work as part of an Australian National University's Small Australian Research Council project on the Northern Territory Party System, and attended the Annual Conference of the NT Labor Party as an Academic Observer.

Dr Winifred Wirkus-Subandi

(Lecturer, Faculty of Economics, Airlangga University, Surabaya, East Java. Currently on secondment to the Government of Indonesia, 24/6/97-24/6/98)

Dr Winifred Wirkus-Subandi is Deputy Assistant Minister for Subregional Economic Cooperation of the Office of the Coordinating Minister for Production and Distribution, Republic of Indonesia. Her visit to the Northern Territory was co-sponsored by the Northern Territory Government's Department of Asian Relations Trade & Industry,

Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade and NARU. She is also an Australian National University Visiting Fellow to NARU. During her visit she attended the opening of the Centre for Indigenous Natural & Cultural Resource Management and presented a joint NARU/DARTI seminar entitled 'Sub-Regional Economic Cooperation for Regional Economic Development. The Case of Eastern Indonesia'.



Mr Patrick Markwick-Smith (NT Department of Asian Relations, Trade and Industry), Dr Christine Fletcher and the Hon Daryl Manzie (Minister for Asian Relations, Trade and Industry) at Parliament House, Darwin.

## Unit Visitors

### Dr Colin Barlow

*(Department of Economics, Research School of Pacific & Asian Studies, Australian National University, 19/7/97)*

Colin Barlow undertook research on the development of primary schools in Eastern Indonesia, with particular reference to Nusa Tenggara Timur. He was assisted by Julie Beer, a primary school teacher from Halls Creek, Northern Territory, and her daughter Celeste.

Dr Mary Ann Bin-Sallik

*(Associate Professor, Aboriginal Studies, University of South Australia, 26/6-16/7/97)*

Mary Ann Bin-Sallik was based at NARU while conducting field work for her project on 'The South East Asian Influences on the Construction of Contemporary Aboriginal Identities in Northern Australia'. She interviewed many local people who share Aboriginal and Asian ancestry in Darwin and Broome. She was assisted by a grant from the Australian Research Council.

Ms Janine Bowechop

*(Executive Director, Makah Cultural and Research Centre, Washington, 22-30/7/97)*

Janine Bowechop, a native American, was invited to attend the Fulbright Conference which was held in Darwin. Whilst at NARU, Janine Bowechop established links between research in North Australia and research in North West USA, and with Indigenous people in North Australia.

Mr Darryl Cronin

*(Jabiru NT, 8/9/97-30/6/98)*

Darryl Cronin spent the first part of the year at Gundjehmi Aboriginal Corporation. He returned to NARU in September to resume work on his research on native title, and is examining some of the key issues that arose after the Mabo and Wik decisions. Mr Cronin travelled to Canberra on several occasions with the National Indigenous Working Group during the period of debate in the Senate on Amendments to the *Native Title Act*.

Mr Jack Crosby

*(Consultant, Sue Roman and Associates, Darwin, 1/5-31/7/97)*

Jack Crosby worked with members of the Dungalabba clan of the Larrakia people. His work included research and preparation of indigenous knowledge for use by Dungalabba people in Native Title claims and coordination of archival and anthropological evidence in relation to the native title rights and interests of Larrakia people. The Larrakia are the Aboriginal owners of the Darwin and surrounding area.

Professor Ann Curthoys & Dr John Docker

*(Manning Clark Professor, History Department, The Faculties, Australian National University; Research Fellow, Humanities Research Centre and Department of English, Australian National University, 7-15/9/97)*

Ann Curthoys presented a seminar at NARU entitled 'The Peculiarities of Australian Racism' in September. A revised version of this paper will be published in Margaret Jolley and Nicholas Thomas (eds), *Race, Person, and Gender Beyond Europe* (Duke University Press - forthcoming).

John Docker presented a paper entitled 'Recasting Sally Morgan's My Place: The Fictionality of Identity and the Phenomenology of the Converso' for the NARU seminar

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series, 8 September 1997. This paper will be published in *Humanities Research*, Vol.I, no.2, 1998.

#### Mr Peter Elder

*(Visitor, Pacific & Asian History, Research School of Pacific & Asian Studies, Australian National University, 12/12/97-7/1/98)*

Peter Elder is examining papers of Professor Alan Ward concerning land legislation in pre-independence Papua New Guinea. He spent time at NARU writing up his field research notes and carrying out library searches.

#### Associate Professor Nicholas Evans

*(Department of Linguistics, University of Melbourne, 18/2-1/3/97)*

Nicholas Evans returned to NARU and undertook a linguistics field trip in the Western Arnhem Land region, visiting outstations in the Bulman, Maningrida and Oenpelli regions for the purpose of recording Aboriginal languages. His work, 'Polysemy and Semantic Change in Australian Languages', was supported by an Australian Research Council Grant.

#### Dr Charles Greenberg

*(Social Sciences Division, Capilano College, British Columbia, Canada and Visiting Lecturer, Department of Geography, University of Sydney, 14-16/7/97)*

Charles Greenberg carried out a reconnaissance trip for a projected visit by 25 students from Capilano College to Australia in 1998 (10 days will be spent in the Darwin area).

#### Dr Thomas Griffiths

*(Fellow, History Program, Division of Historical Studies, Research School of Social Sciences, Australian National University, 15/8-8/9/97)*

Dr Tom Griffiths visited NARU from 13 August to 10 September to commence field work on the environmental histories of several Australian regions. His work at NARU focussed particularly on the Ord River district, and was pursued in association with the Co-operative Research Centre for the Sustainable Development of Tropical Savannas. Dr Griffiths conducted interviews with local historians and pastoralists in the East Kimberley as well as Andrew Craig and Paul Novelly (CRC, Kununurra), and was guided in his research by Dr Deborah Bird Rose (NARU), Darrell Lewis (Darwin), Graham Kirby (CRC, Darwin) and Ross Hynes (CRC, Queensland, visiting Darwin). He also visited the library and archives of the F.T. Wise Research Station, Kununurra and made a return visit to NARU in December (7 to 14) to speak on 'Environmental History and the Northern Australian Frontier' at the *Northern Landscapes Symposium*.

#### Dr Rod Kennett

*(Research Fellow, Northern Territory University, 1/1-30/6/97)*

During the first six months of 1997 Rod Kennett continued his work on indigenous management of marine turtles in north east Arnhem Land. The project examines cultural

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and biological aspects of sea turtles and the use of sea turtles by the Yolgnu. It is a joint project involving the traditional owners (Yolgnu), the Dhimurru Land Management Aboriginal Corporation, the Parks and Wildlife Commission NT and the Northern Territory University. The project recently received funding from the Australian Research Council.

#### Dr Sylvia Kleinert

*(Department of Archaeology & Anthropology, The Faculties, Australian National University, 27/7-31/8/97)*

Sylvia Kleinert used her brief visit to NARU to begin preliminary field work on her Australian Research Council Post-Doctoral Fellowship. Her research for this Fellowship is focused on an historical study of cultural tourism in Australia. Sylvia Kleinert presented a paper at the Fulbright Symposium (Darwin), 'Indigenous Cultures in an Interconnected World', undertook field work in Kakadu National Park and began general reference work in the Australian Archives in Darwin.

#### Associate Professor Helena Knutsson

*(Department of Archaeology, Uppsala University (Sweden), 4-30/12/97)*

Helena Knutsson's research related to the use of ethnoanalogy in European archaeology. The aim of her visit was to learn more about the possibilities of such studies and develop a better understanding of the problems related to them.

#### Mr Nigel Lendon

*(Deputy Director and Reader in Visual Arts, Australian National University, Canberra School of Art, 18/6-3/7/97)*

Nigel Lendon is a Visiting Fellow at the ANU Centre for Cross-Cultural Research, investigating the historical role of the bark painting tradition of Central Arnhem Land as an interface between restricted and public knowledge. During his visit to NARU, Nigel Lendon was guest Curator for the Northern Territory University's Printmaking project and worked closely with artist Djalu Gurruwiwi, a Galpu elder from Yirrkala.

#### Mr Darrell Lewis

*(Consultant, Darwin, 1/1-31/12/97)*

On the remote Fitzmaurice River late in 1997, Darrell Lewis documented a boab tree which had a partly illegible name and the date '1814' carved into it. If authentic this inscription documents a previously unknown landfall by Europeans on the North Australian coast. In April he led an ABC television crew to the tree which subsequently was featured on *The 7-30 Report*.

Mr Lewis completed a book documenting the history of Aborigines and white Australians in the Victoria River district titled *A Shared History*, which was commissioned by the Timber Creek Community Government Council with funds obtained from the Council for Aboriginal Reconciliation. It was formally launched at the Fulbright Symposium in Darwin and again at Timber Creek.

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Darrell Lewis also began a major project to document environmental change in the Victoria River district. This involves gathering together suitable historic photographs from archives and private collections, relocating the vantage point of each photo and rephotographing each scene. Preliminary results indicate an increase in tree cover and scrub in many areas. The project will continue through 1998 and possibly longer.

#### Professor Allan Marrett & Dr Linda Barwick

*(Music Department, University of Hong Kong and Honorary Research Fellows, Music Department, University of Sydney, 9-27/7/97)*

Allan Marrett and Linda Barwick carried out field work in the east Kimberley exploring possibilities for research in relation to their Australian Research Council project on 'Songs from the Kimberley Region'.

#### Dr Ron May

*(Senior Fellow, Political & Social Change, Research School of Pacific & Asian Studies, Australian National University, 15-19/5/97)*

Ron May is a Senior Fellow in the Research School of Pacific and Asian Studies and was at NARU for a multilateral conference on Defence in the BIMP-EAGA Region. Dr May is a specialist on both the Philippines and Papua New Guinea. During his visit to NARU he gave a seminar entitled 'The Current Constitutional Crisis in Papua New Guinea'.

#### Professor Francesca Merlan

*(Archaeology & Anthropology, The Faculties, Australian National University, 21/9-1/10/97)*

Francesca Merlan is a frequent visitor to NARU. Professor Merlan received an Australian Research Grant for her research on comparative work among southern Arnhem languages. She carried out field work at Bulman-Weemol.

#### Dr Karl Neuenfeldt

*(Lecturer, Communication and Media Studies, Central Queensland University, 16-31/12/97)*

Karl Neuenfeldt received a grant from the Central Queensland University to carry out research on the cultural economy of the Didgeridoo industry. He contacted a wide range of artisans, retailers and consumers in Arnhem Land, Darwin and Katherine. He also interviewed staff involved in the Maningrida Internet site on their use of the Internet for marketing art and as a cultural keeping place.

#### Mr John Nicholas

*(Consultant, Darwin, 18/4-30/10/97)*

John Nicholas was contracted by NARU to carry out a study on the economic development of the Darwin area and to produce a written report.

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Dr Susumu Okada

*(Department of Mathematics, University of Tasmania, 13/1-31/12/97)*

Susumu Okada worked on a joint project with Associate Professors Rod Nillsen (University of Wollongong) and Werner Ricker (University of NSW), 'Function spaces and multiplier operators'. Susumu Okada's work involves functional analysis, in particular integration theory and its applications.

Ms Prue Phillips Brown

*(On leave from the Australian National University, October 1997)*

Prue Phillips Brown was employed on a part-time basis from March to November to provide statistical assistance to the Unit Director and to work on the North Australia – Eastern Indonesia project.

Professor Stefano Piperno

*(Senior Economist and Deputy Director of Istituto di Ricerche Economico-Sociali del Piemonte (IRES) [the official research and planning body of the Regional Government of Piedmont, Italy], 2-8/8/97)*

Stefano Piperno spent two weeks at the Commonwealth Grants Commission in Canberra prior to visiting NARU. Research interests include local government and finance; regional planning; and cultural economics. His project in Darwin was to explore the archives of the Northern Territory Local Government Grants Commission for data on the criteria used for the distribution of grants to local governments in the Northern Territory.

Dr Jane Robbins

*(School of Social Administration & Social Work, Faculty of Social Sciences, The Flinders University of South Australia, 24-26/2/97 & 16-20/6/1997)*

Jane Robbins researched the funding arrangements of community based Aboriginal organisations. She received an Australian Research Council Grant to assist with her work. Most of her time at NARU was spent investigating the NARU library holdings.

Mr Tony Roberts

*(Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Commission, 1/9-31/12/97)*

Tony Roberts received the 1997 NT History Award to record oral histories from elderly Yanyuwa, Garawa and Kurdanji people in the Borroloola area and to research the early history of Borroloola.

Dr Libby Robin

*(Australian Research Council Post-Doctoral Fellow, Humanities Research Centre, Australian National University)*

Dr Libby Robin is an Australian Research Council Post-Doctoral Fellow with the Humanities Research Centre, ANU. She visited NARU between 13 August and 5 September working on the history of tropical science in association with the

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Co-operative Research Centre for the Sustainable Development of Tropical Savannas. She conducted interviews with a variety of people involved in the CRC and spent time in the library and archives of the F.T. Wise Research Station, Kununurra.

### Dr Nonie Sharp

*(School of Sociology and Anthropology, La Trobe University, 10-26/8/97 & 30/11-11/12/97)*

Nonie Sharp was awarded an Australian Research Council Fellowship in 1995 to focus on customary marine tenure and coastal management in indigenous communities in northern Australia. This allowed Nonie to extend the practical focus of her work from the Torres Strait and the north-eastern seaboard of Cape York Peninsula to coastal and island communities in Arnhem Land and at One-Arm Point in Western Australia. Her first visit to NARU in 1997 was to write, conduct library work and explore research with colleagues at NARU, the Northern Land Council and fisheries people. She presented a seminar entitled 'Handing on the Right to Fish: the Law of the Land and Cross-Cultural Co-operation in a Gulf Community'. Dr Sharp returned to NARU in November to carry out a brief field trip to Yirrkala and to participate in the Northern Landscapes symposium.



Dr Nonie Sharp from La Trobe University,  
presenting a seminar in NARU's new Seminar Room.

### Ms Rita Stewart

*(National Project Officer, Participation Internship Program by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Students (PIPATIS), Darwin, 6/8/96-7/8/97)*

Rita Stewart was engaged by NARU to develop a framework for coordinating the Participation Internship Program by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island Students at a

National, Regional and Local Level. She submitted her consultancy report to the program at the ANU in August.

#### Professor Shigendou Sugito

*(Associate Professor in Cultural Anthropology, School of Human Sciences, Sugiama Jogakuen University, Japan, 21/7-19/9/97)*

Shigendou Sugito carried out research with Professor S Koyama on 'Knowledge, Information and Social Value: Cultural Anthropological Study of Australian Aboriginal Social Reconstruction after the Native Title Act'. His research is funded by the Japanese Government.

#### Professor George Szablowski

*(York University, Dept of Political Science, 5-10/12/97)*

George Szablowski is a well known Canadian academic who visited NARU to discuss his research with Dr Fletcher on the potential impact of the *Native Title Amendment Bill 1997* on Aboriginal rights, especially in the NT. During his visit he carried out library research, met with academic staff at NARU and the Northern Territory University and interviewed Aboriginal people in Kakadu.

#### Student Visitors

##### Mr Ralph Addis

*(MA student, Department of Agricultural Economics, University of New England, 17-27/11/97)*

Ralph Addis is researching Native Title issues as the subject of his dissertation. His thesis concentrates on the property rights issues and on the structure of the bargaining processes between claimants and proponents of development. He spent time in NARU's library and completed much of his writing.

##### Mr Brett Baker

*(PhD student, Department of Linguistics, University of Sydney, 20/8-30/9/97)*

Brett Baker carried out field work in Roper River area, specifically Badawarrkka and Urapunga communities. He continued his work on Rembarnga and Ngandi, checking that his analysis for Ngalakan prosody works in these two languages.

##### Ms Jane Bathgate

*(PhD student, History Faculty, Northern Territory University, 1/1-31/12/97)*

Jane Bathgate continued her field work in Pine Creek entitled 'Pine Creek's History and its Environs'. She received a grant from the Cooperative Research Centre for the Sustainable Development of Tropical Savannas to support her research which involves the diverse cultural background of the Pine Creek community (historically) and the way in which technology and settlement has impacted on the place.

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Mr Aaron Corn

*(PhD student Ethnomusicology, English Department, University of Melbourne, 5/6-31/12/97)*

Aaron Corn conducted field work for his project on 'Aboriginality, politicisation and local identity in Australian popular music'. Aaron's doctoral research explores the acculturation of introduced musical styles by popular Aboriginal musicians from communities throughout Arnhem Land, and has involved travel to Barunga, Ngukurr, Numbulwar, Galiwin'ku, Maningrida and Milingimbi. While conducting field research in Semester Two 1997, Aaron was a NARU Visitor and, in September, presented a Seminar at NARU entitled 'Dreamtime Wisdom, Modern Time Vision: Towards an Understanding of Popular Music in Arnhem Land'. In preparation for this event, Aaron also spoke publicly about his research on ABC's 8 DDD and News Radio services. Aaron Corn received a grant from the Queen's Trust for Young Australians.

Mr Bill Day

*(PhD student, Department of Anthropology, University of WA, 10/2-31/12/97)*

Bill Day conducted field work with Aboriginal people who move into town from outlying areas. He has followed the fortunes of one Burarra-speaking group who have been living in camps around the city for many years.

Ms Anthea Dee

*(PhD student, Australian National University, 10/2-31/12/97)*

Anthea Dee received a scholarship from the Cooperative Research Centre for the Sustainable Development of Tropical Savannas to undertake studies towards a PhD. The topic for her thesis is 'Freshwater fish in the Arafura wetlands – an ethnographic approach'. She travelled to Darwin to discuss and plan her project with her adviser, Dr Rose.

Ms Jennifer Deger

*(PhD student, Department of Anthropology, Macquarie University, 1/1-30/9/97)*

Jennifer Deger spent the year consolidating her field work and writing up her thesis entitled 'Remote Indigenous Broadcasting'. This topic will examine the significance of television/video and radio in remote Aboriginal communities in order to evaluate the role of indigenous broadcasting in maintaining and strengthening culture.

Ms Delphine Dupont

*(PhD student, Aesthetics and Ethnology, Paris X University, 10/1-31/12/97)*

Delphine Dupont worked on a documentary project entitled "Flying Priest" and presented a seminar about her work.

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Ms Cath Elderton

*(MA student, Department of Geography, Macquarie University, 1/1-31/12/97)*

Cath Elderton's research covers Native Title issues in the Kimberley, specifically the way in which Native Title enables/requires the reconstruction of Aboriginal groups or communities, the responsibilities of the group to undertake negotiations in order to establish Native Title rights and interests, the process by which those negotiations take place. She carried out a consultancy for NARU compiling data for the Indonesian project and preparing a background paper on the relationship between the Northern Territory and Eastern Indonesia.

Ms Ursula Frederick

*(MA student, Department of Archaeology & Anthropology, The Faculties, Australian National University, 1/1-30/1/97)*

Ursula Frederick spent her time at NARU searching the library and finalising her MA for submission in February. Her topic is 'Rock Art, Watarrka National Park'.

Mr Nicholas Gill

*(PhD student, Department of Geography & Oceanography, Australian Defence Force Academy, 26/5-31/12/97)*

Nicholas Gill spent five weeks in May/June at NARU in 1997. This period was facilitated by a grant from the CRC for the Sustainable Development of Tropical Savannas. This included field work at Mistake Creek station in the VRD, use of the NARU library, documentary research in Darwin and consultation with Dr Deborah Bird Rose. A paper based on his 1996 work, including previous visits to NARU, was presented at the Institute of Australian Geographers' Conference in Hobart in January, and a further paper was presented at the NARU Northern Landscapes symposium in December.

Ms Louise Hamby

*(PhD student, Department of Anthropology & Archaeology, Australian National University, 27/3-31/1/97)*

Louise Hamby worked in Gapuwiyak, investigating container forms of various types; those made by Yolngu women and mass manufactured items brought into the community. Her major focus is how fibre container forms contribute to an understanding of social life and cosmology of people in northeast Arnhem Land. Louise Hamby's study includes an indepth analysis of the preparation and manufacturing of baskets with attention given to linguistic, technical and artistic matters. In 1997 she made many trips to collect plant material for dyes and fibre for bags and baskets and received instruction from women in the appropriate means of constructing specific items, including dhimbuka – classic honey baskets made from pandanus. Louise Hamby attended the Painters of the Wagilag Symposium at the National Gallery and participated in the Oxford Companion to Aboriginal Art and Culture Workshop at Australian National University.

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Mr Minoru Hokari

*(PhD student, School of History, University of New South Wales, 3/1-31/12/1997)*

Minoru Hokari spent many months in the field for his thesis 'Travelling people: historical transition of Aboriginal moving lifestyles and social structure'. He carried out library searches and interviewed Gurindji people and their neighbours in northern Australia and the Pitjantjatjara people in Central Australia. Whilst at NARU he received advice and supervision from Dr Deborah Bird Rose.

Ms Sue Jackson

*(PhD Student, School of Earth Sciences, Macquarie University, 1/1-31/12/97)*

Sue Jackson worked on her PhD on 'How Native Title Affects Aboriginal Resource Management'. She returned to Sydney in August to complete her thesis. In December she participated in the Northern Landscapes symposium in Darwin.

Ms Karen Lohead

*(MA student, Political Science Department, McMaster University (Canada), 23/6-7/7/97)*

Karen Lohead is comparing Aboriginal self-government in Canada and Australia. The Australian side of her research focuses on the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission and the NT land claims (particularly as they affect Arnhem Land). She spent time in Sydney, Canberra, Melbourne and then in Darwin carrying out library searches and speaking with officers of ATSIC, land councils and government officials. She plans to submit her thesis in May 1998.

Mr Paul Magin,

*(PhD student, Archaeology & Anthropology, Australian National University, 7/4-17/4/97)*

Paul Magin is studying Aboriginal Art and worked with painters Jonny Bulunbulun and Stanley Rankin from Maningrida Arts Council. They attended a print workshop.

Ms Lysbeth Marck

*(PhD student, Department of Linguistics, Australian National University, 24/1-3/2/97)*

Lysbeth Marck worked on a project involving dictionary-making for the Emmi language of the Top End. The project was funded by AIATSIS.

Ms Catherine Robinson

*(PhD student, Department of Geography & Environmental Science, Monash University, 26/11/97-16/1/98)*

Catherine Robinson's return visit to NARU began with the Northern Landscapes Symposium where she presented a paper. The paper was entitled 'Nature and Encounter – Early Colonial Interactions with the Coastal North' which incorporated some of her PhD research. The remainder of her time was spent writing a chapter of her PhD under the supervision of Dr Debbie Rose.

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### Mr Benjamin Sharp

*(Rhodes Scholar, Oxford University (UK) 26/6-31/8/97)*

Benjamin Sharp is currently doing a one-year Master's degree program in Environmental Change and Management through the School of Geography. To complete his dissertation about joint management of fire in Australia's Gurig National Park, he held discussions with Park Rangers, Fire Service personnel, Aboriginal people and staff at CSIRO and observed fire management and its effects. He also attended the conference 'Bushfire '97' which was organised by CSIRO. With NARU academics he discussed future research plans and field work which will be the focus of a PhD thesis beginning in 1998.

### Ms Victoria Sharples

*(PhD student, Geography & Environmental Science Department, Monash University, 14-25/7/97)*

Victoria Sharples' research involves a critical review of acid mine drainage within Australia and one of her case studies is focusing on the experiences of the Rum Jungle (NT) mine site. During her visit she searched NARU's library and carried out field work at Rum Jungle.

### Ms Virginia Watson

*(PhD student, Department of Government, Sydney University, 14/6-12/7/97)*

Virginia Watson worked in the office of the Australian Archives and had discussions regarding her project with Dr Fletcher and Aboriginal Land Council staff. Her research focus is mining on Aboriginal land, specifically official inquiries which have taken place in relation to mining developments on Aboriginal land.

### Ms Samantha Wells

*(PhD student, Applied History Department, University of Technology Sydney, 1/1-31/12/97)*

Sam Wells continued her PhD work, finalising archival research, continuing oral history work with senior members of the Darwin Aboriginal community, writing up the early chapters of her PhD thesis, and working on a discussion paper for NARU about the Larrakia people's land interests in urban spaces. During the year she held a work-in-progress seminar to University of Technology Sydney postgraduate history students. It is expected that her PhD will be submitted early in 1998. Her current work is on a chapter for a book concerning a national history of Aboriginal housing. A conference to workshop these chapters will be held at the Urban Research Program, Research School of Social Sciences, ANU, in February 1998. She presented a paper in a forum titled 'Native Title and Oral History' at the annual Oral History conference in Alice Springs and presented a paper in the proceedings of a workshop on archaeology of the Darwin area. Sam Wells was awarded an ANU National Visiting Scholarship and spent two months in Canberra's archives, libraries and at the university.

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Mr Stephen Wilson

*(PhD student, Department of Linguistics, University of Sydney, 8/11/96-8/2/97)*

Stephen Wilson's work centred around language and oral history and he spent a great deal of time with Lulu Martin, the oldest Wagiman speaker, at Kybrook Farm, NT. He was supported by an Australian Research Council grant.

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## Field Research Grant Student

Mr Paul Zagami

*Undergraduate Honours student Department of Political Science at the Australian National University*

Paul Zagami was awarded a NARU Field Research Grant of \$1100. The grant assisted him with his field work in the Northern Territory towards his thesis, 'Marketing, Media, Money and America – Political Campaigning and Communication in Australia'. His thesis relied on examples and information acquired during his time in Darwin, particularly the descriptions of push polling, the exclusion of Aborigines from Territory campaigning, the CLP's negative advertising, polling day materials, and the financial gap between the Australian Labor Party and the Country Liberal Party in the Territory.

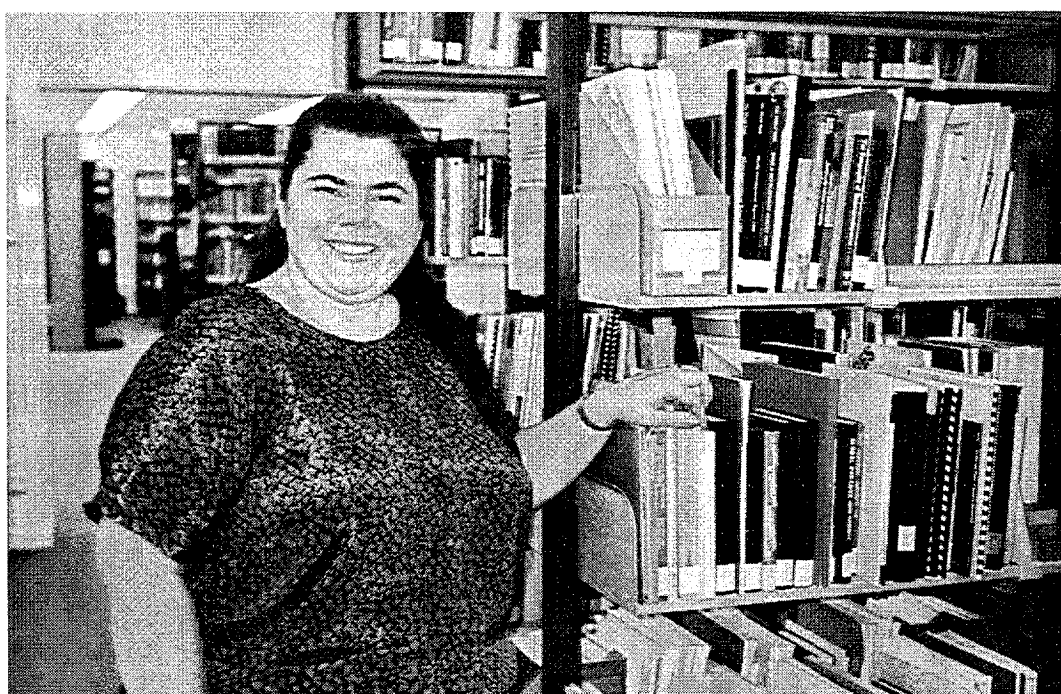
He conducted interviews with Alf Leonardi, Advisor to the Leader of the NT Parliamentary Opposition, Suzanne Cavanagh, President of the CLP, Charlie Taylor, General Secretary of the CLP, Des Gellert, Advisor to John Bailey MP, and Kyrn Stevens, Press Secretary to the Northern Land Council. He also collected a substantial amount of campaign materials, including television advertising. Paul's supervisor at the ANU was Dr Simms.

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## NARU Library

NARU's library has an outstanding collection of resources on Northern Australia. The collection is now under the control of Lisa Darby. Lisa Darby is from Alice Springs and was appointed as the NARU Librarian in mid 1997. Ms Darby has an excellent grasp of library systems, the internet, and northern Australia, and has introduced an advanced level of technology to the NARU Library. Her appointment coincides with some changes to Library regulations leading to a liberalisation of the relationship between NARU and Indigenous post-graduate students at the Centre for Indigenous Natural and Cultural Resource Management. Ms Darby takes over the position from Ms Colleen Pyne, who retired in May, 1997.



Lisa Darby, NARU Librarian

### Collection Development

Current bookstock as follows :

|                          |        |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Monographs (incl Theses) | 10,400 |
| Pamphlets (catalogued)   | 5,422  |
| Serial titles            | 326    |
| Maps                     | 980    |

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305 new monographs were added to the collection in 1997. Several serial titles were cancelled for 1998/99 as they are available on the Internet - these included, *Current Contents: Social and Behavioural Sciences*, *Current Contents: Agriculture, Biology and Environmental Sciences* and *Population Index*.

## Inter Library Loans/document delivery

### Number requested by NARU to libraries within Darwin

|             |    |
|-------------|----|
| Books       | 88 |
| Photocopies | 38 |

### Number requested by NARU to libraries outside Darwin (including ANU)

|                     |     |
|---------------------|-----|
| Books               | 78  |
| Photocopies         | 98  |
| Fast Track requests | 4   |
| Total               | 306 |

## Items lent to other libraries

### ANU libraries

|             |     |
|-------------|-----|
| Books       | 127 |
| Photocopies | 7   |

### Other libraries

|             |     |
|-------------|-----|
| Books       | 52  |
| Photocopies | 8   |
| Fast Track  | 7   |
| Total       | 201 |

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## Items Published in 1997

Publications at NARU have long reflected the special characteristics of research in Northern Australia. In the 1980s, NARU publications were almost exclusively geared towards research carried out through the Unit – in essence, it was the academic nature of the Unit that justified expenditure on publications. Following an overhaul of the management of publications in 1996, the Unit has reinstated the original principles on which NARU publications were first founded. The Publications Section now operates more efficiently, more effectively and provides a window into the type of research undertaken at NARU. The theme of many outputs relate to indigenous issues although, in 1997, the addition of a monograph on Northern Territory-Indonesian relations is evidence of an expanding area of research now undertaken at NARU.

NARU publications are organised into three main categories: monographs, or edited volumes, a discussion series, and a report series.

|                         | 1997 | 1996 | 1995 |
|-------------------------|------|------|------|
| Monographs/books        | 3    | 4    | 3    |
| Discussion paper series | 2    | 5    | 1    |
| Report series           | 5    | 1    | –    |
| Totals                  | 8    | 10   | 4    |

Monographs or edited volumes are produced as a result of research, workshops or conference proceedings; the report series give the publishable outcomes from research-oriented consultancies; and the discussion paper series are based on research and critical analysis of issues of significance.

### Monographs and edited volumes published in 1997

C FLETCHER (ed), *Government-Business Relations between Eastern Indonesia and the Northern Territory*, NARU, 1997, xviii+172pp; \$25.00. ISBN 0 7315 2873 5

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*Northern Analyst*, Issue No 2 (February-March 1997), 28pp.

The main outlets for NARU book sales are Bibliotech (Canberra), World of Books (Darwin) and the Darwin Government Bookshop. 2055 publications were sold through NARU and the above outlets (1455 through Bibliotech) and income received during the year from the sale of publications amounted to \$23,745.99.

This year NARU streamlined its publications area and now outsources its copy editing work and from the beginning of 1998, have employed a full-time desktop publisher to format the manuscripts ready for publication. The NARU publications catalogue has now been re-vamped and is available on request. Information on new publications is sent out twice a year and a list of all publications can be obtained from NARU's homepage (<http://www.anu.edu.au/naru/welcome.htm>).

## Sales of NARU's 1997 publications

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