

FOREWORD

Rescheduled distribution

Our original plan was to devote No. 29, the December 2000 issue, to a series of passages in English or French on the theme of "Frenchmen judging Australian women", accompanied by articles on related topics

It was also proposed that No. 30 be brought forward to January 2001 to coincide with the centenary of Australian Federation, as we already had in our hands a study of "French responses to Australian Federation". Given the difficulties of publication and distribution created by the school and academic vacations, and the illness of one of our number, we have decided to publish the Federation study in this December 2000 issue. No. 30, on the theme of "Frenchmen judging Australian women" will appear in June 2001.

We regret the subsequent delays to this number.

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Rectification

We apologise to Helen Frank for the misplacement of Table I in her article "Buvettes and Chiko Rolls" in our previous issue, No. 28. As the datings indicate, the table on p. 27 (1981-90) should have been headed by that on p. 35: Table I (1971-80). This was due not to a computer glitch, but to several in the operator's mind and hands, which did not facilitate printing.

C.T.-S.

Annual General Meeting of ISFAR for the year 2000

At the AGM of ISFAR held on the evening of Wednesday 22 November 2000, held in the mezzanine area of the Resource Room of the School of Languages at the University of Melbourne, our President, Dr Alastair Hurst, reconfirmed in his position for the current year, announced:

- The impending departure of committee member Dr Stephen Alomes for Japan, where he will lecture on Australia at the University of Tokyo.
- The acceptance by Mrs Penelope Angus of membership of the committee.

The acceptance by Emeritus Professor Ivan Barko and Dr Edward Duyker of his invitation to them to become Associate Editors of Explorations. Their ready willingness to spread the word of ISFAR has helped build a membership from NSW and establish a vital Sydney connection.