

# **Section 1:**

# **LIFE**

  

# **MEMBERSHIP**

  

## **of the**

## **Modern Language Teachers' Association**

## **of Queensland Inc.**

### **From the Constitution**

**4 (d)** Life Membership of the Association may be conferred upon members who have made an outstanding contribution to the development of the Association.

**5 (3)** Every nomination for life membership of the Association in respect of persons shall be made by one financial member of the Association and seconded by two financial members. The nomination shall be made in writing signed by the proposer and the two seconders and shall be in such form as the Executive from time to time proposes.

# LifeMembers- The late Miss Ruth George

19<sup>th</sup> August 1970

This self-explanatory quote is taken from the 1968 MLTAQ Publications:

“ It may not be too extravagant to say that the retirement of Miss Ruth George from the MLTAQ Committee marks the end of an era. Since the inauguration of the Association ten years ago at a meeting at which Miss George was present, she has been one of the Association’s most steadfast champions. Her dedication and professional integrity have been an inspiration to all who know her.

For those many years of service, Miss George, the MLTAQ offers its heartfelt thanks.”

The following is a tribute to Miss George from a MLTAQ Newsletter in the 1970s.

## ***TRIBUTE TO MISS RUTH GEORGE***

It is with regret that we have learnt of the recent death of Miss Ruth George, one of the Honorary Life Members of the MLTAQ.

Before studying at the University of Queensland, Miss George attended the Ipswich Girls’ Grammar School. During her university years she lived at The Women’s College and always remained an interested member of the Old Collegians’ Association. Miss George majored in French and English at the University and graduated in 1923. She was a member of the University Music Society and enjoyed the society’s memorable re-union last year.

Miss George’s first teaching appointment was at the Rockhampton Girls’ Grammar School. Then followed her long career at Somerville House, where she was a resident mistress and became First Assistant.

Miss George was very actively engaged in the English Association as well as the Modern Language Teachers’ Association. She also led a literary circle for the Australian Federation of University Women (Queensland).

During her overseas travels Miss George spent a considerable period of time in France. It was because of her extreme dedication and contribution to the teaching of French in Queensland that the MLTAQ conferred on her the honour of life membership of the association.

Miss George was a person of very high ideals, and to her relatives and friends we extend our sincere sympathy.

# LifeMembers- The late Sister Mary Borgia RSM

4<sup>th</sup> March 1972

The following quote was found in the 1968 MLTAQ Publications:

“Sister Mary Borgia has, for some years, carried out the administrative work of the MLTAQ. All members wish her well, and will no doubt express pleasure at the fact that we are still able to call on her wisdom and experience, since she has undertaken to remain a member of the Executive of the Committee.”

Below is the eulogy that was delivered by Sr M Borgia’s nephew, Denis Stark on 5 September 1998.

This is a happy day, for Ellen May Battaglone - Sr Mary Borgia has joined her God. I probably owed Aunt Nell more than anyone else and she asked me to say some words on this occasion.

Sr M Borgia (“Borg” to generations of students and Sisters, but Nelly or Aunt Nelly to her family members and numerous nieces and nephews) was born on 28.5.07 in Toowoomba of Irish/Italian stock. She was the fourth child and third daughter in the family of 10 children of Giulio Battaglini and Mary Coonan.

Her early education was at a number of small country schools, followed by a period at St Saviour’s Convent in Toowoomba.

She began her life’s work of teaching at St. Saviour’s as “pupil Teacher” in 1926. She delighted in recounting that she returned home for a period after this and, while she professed her Vocation was secure, she enjoyed this period of life immensely, telling, 70 years later, of Gus, who had met with her father’s disapproval but whom she still remembered in her prayers.

But the Convent won. Nelly entered the Convent of the Sisters of Mercy on 16 July 1929. This period of life before the Convent no doubt prepared her well for a better and broader understanding of her students at a time when this was often lacking.

Her entry to the convent and All Hallows’ teaching staff in July 1929 as a sub-junior Teacher preceded her profession as a Sister of Mercy in January, 1932. This was the beginning of 50 years of teaching at All Hallows’. Her academic qualifications and awards began in 1928 - Class 3 Teacher. This was a humble beginning for a very talented Teacher, linguist, poet and artist. Her B.A. followed in 1935, Dip. Ed. (Philosophy & Logic) 1937, B.Ed., 1938 and ATCL Speech, 1938.

Her years of teaching involved a prolonged and continuing love of the classics. Latin, English, French and later German were her principal domains. At times, logic, mathematics and history were added. German was a later love and in her sixth decade she added a Postgraduate Certificate from the University of Queensland. But she waited until the age of 68 years to be awarded a scholarship to Munich, Germany, in 1975, where she was awarded a Diploma from the Goethe Institute.

It was fitting that her final academic achievement at the age of 71 years was a Diploma in Christian Spirituality Leadership. She was appointed to State and University Educational advisory boards and

associations too numerous to detail. Honorary and Life memberships, including that of the Modern Language Teachers' Association were awarded.

She was proud to have three generations in a number of families at All Hallows' and at times compared attributes and abilities of these generations. She had an enlightened approach to discipline, recognising her own foibles - "they thought I was a bit of a dreamer"...

As an enlightened nun, when many were not, she did not fully embrace the liberalisation of the order in latter years. All Hallows' was her home, her life and her love for most of her 69 years as a nun. She was interviewed at the time of All Hallows' 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations stating that she hoped the "quality and culture she associated with All Hallows' would not be lost".

Aunty Nell remained a strong family member throughout her years. Her sisters and brothers and their families were very close. She did as much as she could to assist them from her cloistered existence. She unashamedly recycled gifts. Her sisters awarded her religious life by remembering both her feast day and her birthday. Her niece, Judy, has continued to provide her with the necessary cakes for both. Other nieces continued their mothers' provision of other requisites.

Aunty Nell was a very special person. Very brilliant, with unlimited time to help and encourage scholarship and learning. She had an enquiring mind, which endured the years and made her an interesting and challenging person to visit. There was often a touch of roguery just beneath the surface, which was not usually expected in a nun. Undoubtedly her pride was her least nunnish characteristic, persisting into her tenth decade, and stories abound regarding her concern for her appearance (clothes, shoes, teeth, etc ) even into her 90's.

Her deep and unswerving faith remained until the end. She did much to develop spirituality and faith in others through her teaching[s] and her example. Her abilities as a poet, artist and linguist all enabled her better to give glory to her God. She has been ready to join God for a number of years. I feel her faith was well expressed in her poetry and, in conclusion, I quote from her poem "Light of the World", inspired by the light streaming through the All Hallows' chapel window, which I feel summarises many of her thoughts:

*O lovely light, you lead our thoughts above  
To where no lamp, no sun, no moon will be  
For Christ the Lord will be the light thereof  
And we'll rejoice in Light for all eternity.*

We thank the Sisters of Mercy, Brisbane,  
for permission to publish this tribute  
to Sister Mary Borgia.

# Life Members-

## The late Professor James Charles Mahoney

3<sup>rd</sup> October 1972

In 1959, together with Dr Leopold, Professor Mahoney, Foundation President, was instrumental in forming the Modern Language Teachers' Association of Queensland. Professor Mahoney became the foundation President and Dr Leopold and Mr Don Munro were Vice-Presidents. Professor Mahoney later served as Vice President of the association.

Professor Mahoney worked tirelessly for both the MLTAQ and the Alliance Française.

We thank the Alliance Française for permission to publish this *In Memoriam* taken from their 1996 Newsletter.

# LifeMembers-

## The late Miss Kathleen Campbell - Brown

3<sup>rd</sup> October 1972

Miss Campbell-Brown was associated with the MLTAQ from its very early days. Her position in the French Department of the University of Queensland enabled her to organise many in-service activities for Teachers, both in Brisbane and beyond. Miss Campbell Brown worked tirelessly for both the MLTAQ and the Alliance Française.

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# LifeMembers- The late Professor Keith Leopold

12<sup>th</sup> August 1979

Keith Leopold, an only child, was born on 30 July 1920 to a family of both German and Australian-Scottish background. He was brought up in Maitland, receiving his secondary schooling at Maitland Boys' High School. On completing the NSW Leaving Certificate he was part of the 1938 intake at Armidale Teachers College. He was awarded a scholarship to the newly established New England University College.

In 1940 he transferred to the University of Sydney and at the end of 1942 completed an Arts degree with First Class Honours and the University medal in German. After almost two years in Australian Special Intelligence he was released from the army to become a Diplomatic Cadet in the fast-growing Department of External Affairs.

At the end of 1945 an offer from the University of Sydney made him decide that an academic career was preferable to a diplomatic career. He spent 1946 teaching in the German Department of the University of Sydney and the next year was appointed Lecturer in German at the University of Queensland, and in his own words, taught "everything from Old High German to the most recent Thomas Mann novel".

Keith Leopold's efforts soon brought tangible results: the Department grew from a mere handful of students to become, in the 1960's, the largest German Department in Australia. He attributed this growth above all to the enlightened attitude of the State Department of Education at that time to the teaching of foreign languages to the untiring efforts and dedication of the staff in the German Department, especially his colleague and friend, Dr Gunther Bonnin. All who have worked with Keith Leopold, however, know that the rise of the study of German to real prominence in Queensland was primarily due to his unwavering promotion of his field, not only at the University but especially also in schools throughout

Queensland: his visits to country centres and his "sights and sounds" lectures on German culture and attended by enthusiastic audiences of country students and their Teachers.

In 1959, together with Professor Mahoney, he was instrumental in forming the Modern Language Teachers' Association of Queensland. Professor Mahoney became the foundation President and Dr Leopold and Mr Don Munro were Vice-Presidents.

He soon became Head of the Department of German at the University of Queensland and his contribution to German studies was acknowledged by the university through the offer of the Chair in German in 1964. This led to the award by the German Government of the Verdienstkreuz 1.Klasse to Professor Leopold

in 1973. He remained Head of the German Department until his retirement in 1985.

In the course of his 39 years at the University of Queensland he also gained knowledge of the universities of Tübingen, Cologne and Hamburg. His publications include numerous articles on language and literature, a series of language texts in German and French and three novels in English. His textbook *Introducing German* was used by students and Teachers of German for many years, as were his school readers. For many people who did not know him personally, Keith Leopold was none the less a household name, thanks to these publications, used widely in Queensland schools.

German studies grew rapidly in the state, gaining further impetus through the annual Goethe Poetry Competition for Secondary School Students, inaugurated by Keith Leopold, and still going strong and currently attracting almost 2000 entries.

He regularly came as Guest of Honour to MLTAQ German Camps. It really impressed the students to meet the author of books they were studying at school. When language study was no longer compulsory for an Arts degree, Professor Leopold organised German Quiz nights at the University. This helped promote German in schools. He was also responsible for many ABC Radio German programs, *German for Schools*, all written by Keith Leopold.

Since his retirement he lived very quietly (a widower ) in the Brisbane suburb of Paddington. His many friends - students, colleagues and Teachers - remember him with fondness and mourn his passing on 13<sup>th</sup> July 1999.

We thank Professor Leopold for allowing us to use information from his book *Came to Booloominbah, A Country Scholar's Progress 1938 -1942*

and Tanya Christa, Head of Department, German and Russian Studies, The University of Queensland, for the use of part of her Farewell to Keith Leopold.

## **LifeMembers- The late Mr Robert McDonell**

**12<sup>th</sup> August 1979**

Bob McDonell was a dynamic Teacher of Italian, the teaching of which he promoted through his work both in schools (both State and Private) and for the Dante Alighieri Society.

As a Teacher at the Dante School over many years, he introduced many new courses. He was a foundation member of the Dante Alighieri Society (1952) and later became Vice President and President, before becoming life member of the Society on 14 January 1969.

Bob McDonell was the first person to introduce Italian into State schools in Queensland. He organised Saturday morning classes at All Hallows' Convent to train Teachers of Italian. He arranged concerts for students of Italian and in 1970 organised the first Italian Verse Speaking Competition, open to students throughout the State. He was also the editor of popular Italian magazines for schools.

He was Italian convener for the MLTAQ for several years, always organising or supporting Italian activities.

He passed away in 1988.

# Life Member - Professor David Ingram

25 June 1983

Professor David Ingram has contributed superlatively to Language Teachers' Associations at State, National and International levels, contributions which show unrivalled commitment in an increasingly complex arena. The following is, consequently, only a minimal reflection of his activities.

During his career, which spans four decades, he has taught in all sectors: primary, secondary and tertiary, both in Australia and abroad.

Professor Ingram's contributions to language policy, testing and assessment of proficiency in Languages and ESL are of world fame. He has published extensively in the above and other areas in Australia and overseas, has been invited to present papers and conduct research in many countries and has represented Australia in many significant events and activities in Australia and abroad.

He was a long-serving member of the MLTAQ, as the following outline of his roles on the Executive Committee shows:

Member of Executive	1969 - 1970
Secretary	1971 - 1974, 1976
Vice President	1976-1977
President	1977 - 1982

From 1982 to 1996, Professor Ingram was President of the AFMLTA, the Australian Federation of Modern Language Teachers' Associations, after successfully editing *Babel* (1974), being Vice President (1981-1982) and representing the MLTAQ on the AFMLTA Council (1977-1982).

During his Vice Presidency of FIPLV, the Fédération Internationale des Professeurs de Langues Vivantes, Professor Ingram elevated the image and role of the Australian Language Teachers' Associations, commanding the respect of international colleagues and especially within the region of Asia and Oceania.

The respect he earned among professional language educators is evident in the numerous requests for his participation in many august bodies, such as the Australian Languages and Literacy Council.

Apart from continuing an active role as member of numerous committees, David is currently Professor of Applied Linguistic and Director of the Centre for Applied Linguistics and Languages in the Faculty of Asian and International Studies at Griffith University.

# **Life Member – the late Miss Zillah Bunn**

**23rd July 1988 - ? 2006**

As a student, Zillah Bunn attended the very first meeting of the MLTAQ and was a member of the Association's Executive for many years.

She held the position of Vice President from 1977 to 1983 and was President from 1984 to 1986.

A tower of strength to all on the Executive, Zillah was always willing to assist others, quietly and confidently helping to organise whatever was on the MLTAQ agenda. In the early days, activities in which she assisted ranged from helping Bev Bonning with the first National Conference at the Parkroyal to offering support with the MLTAQ-Courier Mail LOTE Competition, when the entries were too many to fit into the Kedron State High School Hall.

Zillah was also prominent in the organisation of various Camps, an activity in which she encouraged many of her students to take part. She was also a regular contributor to publications with advice especially useful for young, inexperienced Teachers.

Furthermore, Zillah was chairperson of the BSSSS State Panel for German for a number of years. She was Deputy Principal at Wynnum State High School until she retired in 2005??.

# **Life Member - Barbara Clarke**

**17 August 1999**

Barbara Clarke was a member of the MLTAQ Inc Executive for seven years.

During this time, she filled the following roles of German Convener (1984 - 1986) and President (1987 - 1990) on the Executive.

As German Convener, Barbara worked tirelessly to organise student and Teacher activities, in particular the camps and Oktoberfests. With her keen interest in German and organisational skills, she successfully promoted German in Queensland.

As President, she strove to highlight the concerns of Languages Teachers and increase the profile of Languages in the Community. Barbara has been a German Teacher, Head of Department (LOTE), Secondary Deputy at MacGregor and Holland Park State High School, as well as working for two years in the Languages and Cultures Unit in the initial stages, especially with the production of the Stage A Kits in five languages. She is presently a Deputy Principal at Mansfield State High School.

# **Life Member - Bruce Downie**

**19 July 1999**

Bruce Downie has been a member of the MLTAQ <sup>Inc</sup> Executive since 1975, where he has been active in the following roles:

Treasurer, incl. Membership Secretary	1975 - 1977
In Service Officer	1980 - 1985
Vice President	1992, 1994/5 - 1998

He has been a member of the German Standing Committee, and also on the Committee that initiated the Student Camp concept. He has been involved with these camps ever since. He has been either Assistant Cook or Chief Cook for the German Student Camp for the whole of its 24 years, catering for over 100 people for the weekend.

Bruce instigated Language Weekends for Teachers of all languages and organised several of these at Binna Burra and Mount Tamborine.

As Treasurer he had considerable input into restructuring of the association's finances. In his role as Inservice Officer he organised many activities involving Language Advisors for all languages at The Gap State High School where the MLTAQ Resource collection was initiated.

Bruce has been a Teacher of German and Head of LOTE Department. He was Head of Department LOTE at The Gap State High School for 18 years.

Among his other functions, he was a member of the BSSSS (now QSA) Brisbane/Ipswich District Review Panel for German and in the 1980s was a District Leader for the Queensland Education Department.

He is currently President of the Queensland Goethe Society.

## **Life Member - Roger White**

**19 July 1999**

Roger White was a member of the MLTAQ <sup>Inc</sup> Executive for 17 years. His roles on the Executive Committee included: Assistant Secretary (1974), Newsletter Editor (1975 - 1976), Publicity Officer (1977 - 1979), Treasurer (1980 - 1984) and Vice President (1987 - 1991).

In addition to these roles, Roger was also, as Japanese Convener and Teacher of Japanese, the key to all aspects of student and Teacher activities. Roger organised Japanese Evenings, Language Competitions, Speech Contests and Teacher Inservice.

Roger has been a Teacher of Japanese and Deputy Principal at Shailer Park State High School.

Roger's tireless efforts and input brought about this association's first constitution as an Incorporated Association.

He was ASLLP Project Coordinator and is presently a Principal Education Officer, in the Languages and Cultures Unit, Education Queensland, a position he held ever since the implementation of the Queensland LOTE Initiative.

## **Life Member – Anna van Hoof**

**17th August 1999**

Anna van Hoof has contributed substantially to Language Teachers' Associations at State and National levels, showing her very strong commitment to language teaching and learning in Australia.

During her career, Anna has taught in all sectors: primary, secondary and tertiary. In 1999 she is Principal Education Officer - Curriculum - responsible for the development of LOTE curriculum for Education Queensland. In this capacity she is also Manager of the Writing team for the LOTE Syllabus and source materials on behalf of QSCC. In 1983-1986 Anna was In-Service Officer (Foreign Languages) at the Board of Senior Secondary School Studies with the responsibility for assisting teachers in the introduction of the Review of School Based Assessment and in-service on the calculation of the Tertiary Entrance Score. Anna started her career as a language teacher specialising in French and German and was promoted to Subject Mistress - Foreign Languages (*French*) at Balmoral State High School previous to her present position. Other endeavours have included part-time Lecturing in Teaching Methodology at the University of Queensland.

Throughout her career Anna has contributed extensively to MLTAQ activities, initiating many new members and Executive offers. Some of her contributions are: Secretary (1982 - 1992), MLTA Rep at the 1984 AFMLTA Congress, member of the Organisation Committee for Biennial Conferences (1983, 1985, 1987, 1990), Minutes Secretary AFMLTA Congress 1990, Academic Convener 1998 Biennial Conference, French Standing Committee member, Judge of the Language competitions, supervising teacher at numerous French Camps (1976 - 8, 1982 - 4).

Anna's love of languages and language teaching have enabled her to maintain a strong commitment to MLTAQ activities for many years. This enthusiasm and commitment was evidenced by all who worked with her on the many projects undertaken. The high calibre of her skills and experiences have

resulted in very substantial and unique contributions. Anna has made a decision to reduce her active involvement in MLTAQ activities because of her work commitments. She continues to be a valued and less active member of the association.

**LifeMember – Gisela Bergmann**

**LifeMember – Carmel Gamm**



## **Gary Birch**

has very capably filled the following roles on the Executive:

Vice President	1975
President	1976

## **Bev Banning**

has very capably filled the following roles on the Executive:

Secretary	1974 - 1977
Membership Secretary	1978 - 1983

Bev has been a Japanese Teacher, Secondary Deputy Principal and worked for a short time in the Languages and Cultures Unit. She is presently a Deputy Principal at Kedron State High School.

## **Zillah Bunn**

*See: Life Membership*

## **Cheryl Capra**

was a member of the MLTAQ Inc Executive from 1987 to 1997 during which time she has capably filled the following roles:

Primary LOTE Convener	1991 - 1993
President	1993 - 1994/5
Liaison Officer	1994 / 5

While Primary LOTE Convener, Cheryl and the Primary LOTE Standing Committee initiated the MLTAQ Inc LOTE Eistedfodd at The Gap State High School Hall. While President, Cheryl helped to guide both the implementation of teleconferencing with MLTAQ Branches and extensive constitutional reform aiming at more effective Branch participation in Executive decisions. Cheryl also organised substantial sponsorship for two statewide MLTAQ Inc Conferences.

Cheryl was a Teacher at Ferny Grove Primary School where she taught German to students in years 5 - 7. She has taught Science Maths and German at both primary and secondary level. She became Regional LOTE Coordinator in Brisbane North and Metropolitan East Regions in 1991, after having spent much of 1990 writing German materials for primary students. From 1992 until 1996 she was a LOTE Officer with the Languages and Cultures Unit (LACU) and was responsible for liaison and professional development involving the network of Regional LOTE Coordinators and LOTE Advisers. In addition her work with LACU included organisation of conferences and statewide competitions such as the LOTE Olympics. She was also much involved in liaison work with industry, the Premier's Department, the media and the Queensland Teachers' Union.

Cheryl is currently teaching at Albany Hills State School where she is Science Coordinator.

## **Elisabeth Casey**

has very capably filled the following roles on the Executive:

Inservice Officer	1986 - 1988
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## **Ann Caston**

was a member of the MLTAQ Inc Executive from 1974 - 1989. She has very capably filled the following roles on the Executive:

Secretary 1978 - 1980

Materials & Resources Officer 1983 - 1989

She was Head of French at Marist College, Ashgrove from 1979 to 1997 after being Head of Modern Languages at Hendra State High School. She has also been Convener of the French Standing Committee, as well as a member or convener of various camps, conferences, competitions and Bastille Day celebrations. She was a District Moderator and is the State Panel Chair for French.

## **Helen Claes**

served the Executive as Japanese Convener from 1989 to 1990.

## **Kylie Cornish**

She has been a member of the Executive from 1996 to 1998.

She has very capably filled the roles of

German Convener	1996 - 1998
Membership Secretary	1998

Kylie has been responsible for the German Camps and Oktoberfests during this time. Her support has been much appreciated especially as she is not currently teaching due to family commitments.

## **Ray Craig**

was a member of the MLTAQ Inc Executive, assisted with language competitions and very capably filled the role of

Materials Officer	1980
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## **Greg Dabelstein**

has been a member of the MLTAQ Inc Executive since 1994. He has very capably filled the following roles:

Japanese Convener	1994 - 1996
Webmaster	1997 -

Thanks to Greg's efforts, ours was the first MLTA in Australia to launch its Website in 1996. Greg teaches Japanese at Brisbane Grammar School.

## **Barbara Downie**

has been a member of the MLTAQ Inc Executive since 1993 and has very capably filled the role of

Treasurer	1994/5 -
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Barbara has been a German Teacher, Head of Department, LOTE and Secondary Deputy. She was on the State Review Panel for German for many years as well as being a member of the German resource development group. During the LOTE Initiative she has been Regional LOTE Coordinator, Metropolitan West Region. She has been Assistant Cook at German Camps for many years and is now Deputy Principal at Everton Park State High School.

## **Bruce Downie**

*See: Life Membership*

## **Michele Endicott**

has been a member of the MLTAQ Inc Executive since 1992.

She has very capably filled the following roles on the Executive:

Inservice Officer	1992 - 1995
Tertiary Representative	1992 -

During the 1980s, Michele was a member of the French and German Standing Committees and in the early 1990s was involved in the organisation of State Conferences. She has taught several languages in a range of State and Catholic schools in Queensland and was Head of Languages at Loreto College for 10 years before taking up her current position as Lecturer in Education (LOTE Teaching Methodology) at Australian Catholic University (Mc Auley Campus).

## **Lita Fabri**

was a member of Executive since 1987 and capably filled the role of  
Italian Standing Committee Convener 1987 - 1991, 1998 -  
She is presently teaching Italian at Nambour.

## **Kerry Fairbairn**

was a member of the MLTAQ Inc Executive, where he very capably filled the role of:  
In-service Officer 1977

## **Mary Farrell Jones**

very capably filled the following roles on the Executive:

Secretary	1981
President	1982 - 1983

## **John Findlay**

has been a member of the MLTAQ Inc Executive since 1984.

He has very capably filled the role of

Membership Registrar	1985 - 1998
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John is Teacher in charge of German at St Peter's Lutheran College where he has taught since 1975. He is a member of the BSSSS German District Review Panel for the Brisbane- Ipswich District.

## **Lester Ford**

was a member of the MLTAQ Inc Executive from 1981 to 1998. He has very capably filled the role of  
Materials Officer 1981 - 1982

Lester taught French at Beenleigh State High School, was a District Leader and a member of the District Review Panel for French. He has also been French Convener at various times and is Review Officer - European Languages at BSSSS since 1998.

## **Angelika Fremd**

very capably filled the role of:

Journal Editor	1983
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Angelika was Head of Department LOTE at Bremer State High School and now resides in Sydney.

## **Natalie Garrick - Foundation Member**

was a member of the MLTAQ Inc Executive from 1971 to 1980. She has very capably filled the following roles on the Executive:

Country Committee Representative	until 1970
Executive Member	1971 - 1980
Vice President	1973 - 1975
Materials Officer	1976 - 1979

Natalie was tutor and lecturer in Language Departments in Brisbane Colleges of Advanced Education and Universities from 1971 to 1993. During this time Natalie was very active in the MLTAQ and other committees such as Syllabus Committees.

## **Doug Godwin**

Doug was a member of Executive from 1967 to 1972. He has capably filled the roles of

Newsletter Editor 1967 - 1969

Vice President 1970 - 1972

Doug was a Teacher of German and Deputy Principal for many years and has retired to Banora Point NSW.

## **Carmel Gomm**

has very capably filled the following roles on the Executive:

Liaison Officer 1978 - 1979

Carmel was Head of Department LOTE, Deputy Principal and was Regional LOTE Coordinator for the South Coast Region. Carmel has also been very active in the Gold Coast Branch of the Association and is presently Deputy Principal at Benowa State High School.

## **Joan de Graaf**

was a member of the MLTAQ Inc Executive. She very capably filled the following roles on the Executive:

Materials Officer	1975
Vice President	1984 - 1986

Joan was a German Teacher and Head of Department LOTE at Capalaba State High School before being seconded to work as a LOTE Officer with LACU. Joan was the LOTE Officer who looked after staffing across both primary and secondary sectors. She helped to implement the LOTE Proficiency Test as an integral part of LOTE in Queensland schools. She was Chairperson of Brisbane South District Review Panel as well as a member of the State Review Panel for German. She was a member of the German Resource Development Group and German Standing Committee Convener. She is currently Head of Department (LOTE) at Mac Gregor State High School.

## **Paula Hay**

Paula has worked tirelessly for the German Committee since her university days. She was a member of the MLTAQ Inc Executive as sole German Convener from 1991 to 1995. Paula has been responsible for organising German Camps, Oktoberfests and several Statewide Exchanges to Germany. She initiated the Karneval Celebrations for Primary students in 1994 which are now occurring annually. She published the 1998 Oktoberfest songbook collection and accompanying tape sponsored by the MLTAQ Inc and made possible by the Brisbane Men's Choir of the German Club. She is presently teaching German at Beenleigh State School.

## **Barbara Hartley**

was a member of the MLTAQ Inc Executive from 1987 to 1991. She capably filled the role of In-Service Officer in 1991. Barbara is currently lecturer in LOTE at the University of Central Queensland (Rockhampton Campus).

## **Andrew Hogg**

very capably filled the role of Newsletter Editor in 1981 - 1983. He has returned to England permanently.

## **David Ingram**

*See: Life Membership*

## **Margaret Isbel** (nee Cooke)

was a member of the MLTAQ Inc Executive from 1971 to 1978.

She very capably filled the following roles on the Executive:

MLTAQ Delegate to AFMLTA Conference	1975
MLTAQ Delegate to FLAC & member of BOSSS	1975 to 1978
Liaison Officer	1974 - 1977
German Sub Committee	1974 - 1976
Treasurer	1978 - 1979

Margaret helped organise the first Senior German camps, Karneval & Oktoberfests. She was Head of Department (LOTE) until 1979 at the The Gap State High School. She has been teaching Primary LOTE at Patricks Road State School since 1993.

## **May Kwan**

was a member of the MLTAQ Inc Executive in 1994-5. She has also been involved in the organisation of a number of MLTAQ conferences.

She has been the LOTE officer at the Association of Independent Schools of Queensland since 1990, organising and co-ordinating in-service activities and conferences for Teachers in the non-State sector.

## **PamLait**

very capably filled the role of

Assistant Secretary 1976 - 1980

Pam has taught German and French and was Head of Department LOTE at Sunnybank State High School. She has helped organise German events as well as be on the Conference Committee. Pam is a member of the District Review Panel for German in Brisbane South. She was a member of the German Resource development group and District Leader for Brisbane South. Pam was a LOTE Officer with LACU for one or two years and is now Head of Department LOTE/Art/Music at the Brisbane School of Distance Education, which has four Languages.

## **Judy Lucas**

was a member of the Executive Committee in 1992 - 1993, filling the role of Secretary.

## **Tom McIntosh**

was a member of the MLAQ through the 1970's; a member of the Executive in the late 1970s.

He very capably filled the role of Publicity Officer in 1980 - 1981.

Tom was a French Teacher and Language Subject Master at Kelvin Grove State High School.

In 1982, he became a Subject Master/HOD of English at Kelvin Grove State High School ("He was translated!") and diverted his attention to the ETAQ.

From the creation of the BSSS (later BSSSS) he was involved in FLAC, and District and State Panels.

He retired in 1992.

## **Diana Marshall**

was a member of the MLTAQ Inc Executive.

She very capably filled the role of

Liaison Officer 1985 - 1990

Diana teaches French at St Margaret's AGS and was French Convener for a number of years.

## **Catrina Matheson**

has been a member of the MLTAQ Inc Executive since 1993.

She has very capably filled the following roles

on the Executive:

Chinese Convener 1993 - 1994

Assistant Secretary 1994/5 - 1996

Assistant Treasurer 1999 -

She teaches Mandarin Chinese at Everton Park High School.

## **Paul Miles**

was German Convener from 1987 to 1989. During this time, he was German Camp Convener (1987 - 1990) and oversaw the German Day Parade of World Expo 1988.

In 1989 he was the organiser of the first MLTAQ Inc Berlin Exchange from Queensland.

## **Margaret Mourik**

has been a member of the Executive since she joined LACU as a LOTE Officer in 1993. She was Acting Indonesian Advisor in 1996. She very capably filled the role of  
Secretary 1994 - 1998  
She is currently Acting Indonesian Advisor at the Queensland LOTE Centre.

## **Gary Murray**

was a member of the MLTAQ Inc Executive from 1973 to 1983.

He very capably filled the following roles on the Executive:

Editor of Publications	1973 - 1983
Vice President	1975 - 1977
Newsletter & Journal Editor	1977 - 1980
Journal Editor	1981 - 1983
Editor of BABEL	1983 - 1984

Gary was Advisory Teacher in Modern Languages from 1976 to 1978. He was Chairman of FLAC 1983 to 1985, member of the State Review Panel for Japanese 1981 to 1995 and State Panel Chair from 1989 to 1991.

Gary was a Teacher of German and is presently Master in Charge of Japanese and Editor of the annual magazine at The Southport School.

## **Helen Nicolson**

has been a member of Executive from 1991 to 1994 and again since 1998.

She has capably filled the role of

Secretary	1998 -
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Helen was the organiser of the Academic Program of the Biennial Conference in 1993. She has taught Japanese and German in both Catholic and State schools. She was LOTE Development Officer for Catholic Education. She is currently on study leave.

## **Marcel Noest**

has been a member of the MLTAQ Inc Executive since 1983. He has very capably filled the following roles on the Executive:

Publicity Officer	1986 - 1990
Vice President	1993, 1999
Liaison Officer	1993, 1996 - 98
President	1991 - 1992, 1996
Vice President AFMLTA Inc	1998 -

Marcel taught French and German and was Head of Modern Languages at Ipswich Girls' Grammar School (1985-1998). While President, Marcel promoted the expansion of MLTAQ Branches, initiated a constitutional reform aiming at more effective Branch participation as well as the creation of the website. He was a member of the French Standing Committee from 1984 to 1988. He is currently Head of French Moreton Bay College and the Association's representative on the BSSSS LOTE SAC.

## **Fil Oram**

very capably filled the following roles on the Executive:

Publicity Officer	1991 - 1992
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Fil is currently teaching French at Ipswich Grammar School.

## **Wendy Parkinson**

has been a member of the MLTAQ Inc Executive since 1985. She has very capably filled the following roles on the Executive:

Newsletter Editor	1985 - 1990
AFMLTA Liaison Officer	1985 - 1991
President	1991
Inservice Officer	1996 -7
Convener - Four State Conferences	1985 - 1998
National Conference	1990

Wendy was involved as an Education Officer working with Anna and Roger, prior to the formation of LACU. Wendy has taught languages at secondary schools in London and Queensland since 1973. She was Education Officer LOTE, Ed Qld 1985 - 1992, an Educational Advisor, LOTE in Metropolitan East Region 1993, before becoming Educational Officer LOTE for Catholic Education in Brisbane.

## **Bob Pearce**

very capably filled the role of Liaison Officer 1980 - 1983.

## **Alan Rowell**

has been a member of the MLTAQ Inc Executive since 1987. He has very capably filled the following roles on the Executive:

Treasurer	1988 - 1990
Newsletter Editor	1991 - 1997
Liaison Officer	1996
President	1997 -

Alan has taught German and Japanese, worked as Review Officer - European Languages at BSSSS and is currently Deputy Principal at Bundamba State High School.

## **Gracelyn Schluter**

was a member of the MLTAQ Inc Executive from 1987 to 1990. She very capably filled the role of

InService Officer	1989
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She is currently teaching French at Clayfield College.

## **Antonia Simpson**

has been a member of the MLTAQ Inc Executive since 1990 and has very capably filled the role of

Publicity Officer	1994/5 -
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She is a member of the Italian and French Teacher networks and is currently teaching at Brisbane State High School.

## **Lindy Steele**

was a member of the MLTAQ Inc Executive and very capably filled the following roles on the Executive:

Inservice Officer	1990
Treasurer	1991 - 1994

She is currently HOD LOTE at Springwood State High School.

## **Judy Stewart**

very capably filled the role of Publicity Officer from 1982 to 1985.

She is currently teaching at St Pauls' School.

## **Anna van Hoof**

*See: Life Membership*

## **Roger White**

*See: Life Membership*

## **Dick Whittington**

was a member of the MLTAQ Executive for approximately 15 years. During this time, he very capably filled the role of treasurer (from 1986 to 1987). He is currently the chair of the BSSSS LOTE Subject Advisory Committee.

# Section 3:

# The MLTAQ

# MEMBERSHIP

# Throughout the Years

- \* *How many members were there ?*
- \* *Why did members start or join the association*
- \* *What did membership cost ?*
- \* *What did the members get for their fees?*

- 1959 - 60    o 105 members at the first meeting of the MLTAQ
- o First Subscriptions: City Members - 1 pound, Country Members -15 shillings, Students - 5 shillings. For an additional 5 shillings per year members could receive 3 copies of Babel, the journal of the MLTA of Victoria, South Australia & West Australia.
- o From the address of Professor James Mahoney, the first President of the MLTAQ, to the 25<sup>th</sup> AGM, we read:
- “One of the reasons for the formation of the MLTAQ was the concern of the Language Departments of the University of Queensland over the decline in the study of Latin and Greek; they feared that French and German would be next. We have made a lot of progress since then, but unfortunately our fears have not been altogether stilled.”
- 1968           o From Wim Goosen’s 1968 President’s Report:
- “Where have all the members gone? While membership has by no means fallen, no major gains were made in 1968. Concern was expressed that some younger Teachers join in their first year, but fail to renew their subscriptions. Ways of improving services to members were discussed, and Professor Leopold suggested that absolute regularity of meeting time each month might help attendances as far as city members were concerned. This suggestion will be put to members at the March meeting. Action by the committee to catch and hold the interest of members was felt to be of prime importance.”
- 1969 - 70    o A note from the Treasurer, Mr H.T.Baker:

“The Cost of memberships were raised to \$4.00, \$3.00 & \$2.00, for Metropolitan, Country & Student Members. Members might be interested how their subscriptions are spent:

Babel \$1.50; Affiliation Fee \$0.50; Postage of Newsletter \$0.30 approx; Postage of notices etc \$0.30 approx.

This leaves for other expenses: Metrop. members - \$1.40, Country members - 40 cents, Student members - nil. Although the Association made a loss during 68 -69, it is only the profits of Film Evenings and, this year, of the Schools’ Night that are maintaining the credit balance as shown in the financial statement.”

1971 - 72   ○ Cost of membership increased from \$4 to \$6.00 and from \$3 to \$5.00.  
Student membership remained at \$2.00.

1974 - 75   ○ The Association had around 200 members.

1977 -78   ○ Membership grew to 348.

○ From David Ingram’s 1978 President’s Report, we read: “The membership of the Association continues to grow. Up to 1974 - 75 membership regularly hovered around 200. Since then, despite the continued decline in language enrolments, membership has increased by 2/3rds to 348. Attendance at meetings has also improved ranging from 30 to 50 for meetings of an in service training character & up to 800 for the most recent community education activity of the Greek Standing Committee. School events continue, of course, to attract the largest numbers, with the last Oktoberfest being attended by approximately 3,000 students. “

1981 - 82   ○ Number of members: 330.

1982 -83   ○ Membership dropped to 272.

1983 - 84   ○ Membership stood at 315 as a result of a greater number of Dip. Ed. students.

1988-89   ○ From the Newsletter Editor, Wendy Parkinson: “Fees have increased from last year to meet increased costs. This is where your money goes:

Capitation fees to AFMLTA per member       \$16.00

(\$8 of this pays for 3 issues of Babel)

Fees to QEAS   \$ 3.00

Publishing and posting of 4 News briefs       \$12.00

Publishing and posting of 4 Newsletters       \$12.00

Extraordinary mailings eg AGM info etc       \$ 1.00

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Total    \$44.00

The shortfall is made up by the sales of stickers, stamps and posters, and various MLTAQ functions throughout the year, eg Oktoberfest. Membership currently stands at approximately 500, a record enrolment. Despite this, we desperately need more active members, to be on the Executive and to convene Subcommittees.”

1996

- o Membership has reached 536 this year.

- o From the Report by the present Treasurer to the 1997 Annual General Meeting:

“An Overview of MLTAQ Inc Finances has been compiled from the audited figures.

The main income [Membership fees and Advertising] came to \$27,400.50. The MLTAQ Inc Running expenses [Publications, AFMLTA dues, Branch payments, Insurance and general running expenses] came to \$34,531.49, showing a loss of \$7221.99. A solid profit was made in most activities organised by the Sub Committees and the Executive again this year, in particular the sale of stickers & the German Oktoberfest as well as interest from the two Term Deposits of \$3371.20, has meant that the Association was able to cover this loss of \$7221.99.

The cost of Teachers attending Conferences on behalf of the MLTAQ Inc was \$622.53. Inflation with our publications also needs to be costed in. If profits from other activities were not available a very substantial increase in Membership dues would need to be considered.

Future Price of Membership of the MLTAQ Inc - For these reasons an increase of \$10.00 has been recommended to the last Executive Meeting.”

1997

- o 516 members.

- o The Institution Membership Category was discontinued in the hope of increasing the number of active individual MLTAQ Inc members.

1998

- o 500 members.

- o From the Treasurer’s Report:

“Memberships - The income from 1998 Memberships was down by only 16 members from last year, with 23 members joining as part of the conference. The income, with the cost of memberships by \$10 to \$55 and \$60, has increased to \$28,542. All members now pay the \$5 ‘Branch’ fee and this is allocated to the indicated Branch or Metropolitan Brisbane. Hence the increase in “metro” members to 322. \$5 per member was paid for 138 Branch members.

MLTAQ Inc basic Expenses - Income from memberships versus the cost of running the association {publications, AFMLTA Inc etc}. Even with the extra \$10 per member this year there is still a LOSS of \$5,163.00, but this is down from the 1997 loss of \$7,962.00. The interest from Term Deposits (\$32297.14) and most of the profit from the sale of stickers (\$2295.00) is needed to balance the books on the basic expenditure. *Hence it is essential to maintain at least the present level of investment in term deposits.*

Four years ago the amount transferred to members funds (ie the overall profit across all MLTAQ activities) greatly decreased, \$10,000 to \$2,291. At last 1998 saw an upward trend, thanks to the work of some dedicated MLTAQ Inc workers, in particular in areas such as State Conference, sale of stickers & the German Oktoberfest.”

When you look back through past MLTAQ records, publications etc, the statements re the continued need for our association are all very similar.

The study of languages is still an “elective “ in Years 9 - 12 in the secondary school even though there is now language learning across years 4 or 5 through to Year 8, thanks to the LOTE Initiative ( 1990 - 1997). LOTE is supposedly one of the 8 *Core* Key Learning Areas, but State school Teachers are still awaiting the decisions from Education Queensland based on the new Queensland Schools Curriculum Council Syllabus.

In **Secondary Schools**, the question of CORE LOTE learning from Years 8 to 10 adding to the ever increasing minimum student numbers at which school administrations allow LOTE classes to run, are concerns for LOTE Teachers.

In **Primary Schools**, LOTE specialist teaching is an important part of primary school life, even if only, in a few schools, because of the *non-* Contact time issues.

In some schools, both primary and secondary, language Teachers have to work harder than others to convince their school communities of the real benefits to their students of language learning.

At the **Tertiary level**, whilst the numbers of students studying some languages has increased, there is still pressure on Language Departments to keep up or increase their student numbers and so the financial income to their departments.

**The need for the Modern Language Teachers Association in Queensland  
is still as great as it was nearly forty years ago.**

**Active support for your MLTAQ Inc  
and  
Language Teachers throughout the state  
is  
ESSENTIAL**

Barbara Downie, Honorary Treasurer, 1994 - 1999

# Section 4:

# The MLTAQ Executive Committee

## Throughout the Years

Year: <b>1959</b>	President: Prof James Mahoney	Vice President: Dr Keith Leopold & Mr Don Munro	Secretary: Dr Keith Leopold & Mr Don Munro
Treasurer incl Membership Secretary: Eric Bowker		Newsletter Editor:	
Materials & Resources Officer:	Publicity Officer:	Liaison Officer:	In-Service Officer:
Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where known): Sister Mary Borgia, Miss Ruth George, Miss Dorothy Green, Mr PA Krebs, Mr D Lelong, Dr DGM McArthur, Mr G Vance, Mrs Shirley Young			

Year: <b>1960</b>	President: Professor James Mahoney	Vice President: Mr Don Munro	Secretary: S.Young
Treasurer incl Membership Secretary:		Newsletter Editor: Dr. D.G McArthur	
Materials & Resources Officer:	Publicity Officer:	Liaison Officer:	In-Service Officer:
Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where known):			

Year: <b>1961</b>	President: Prof James Mahoney (?)	Vice President:	Secretary:
Treasurer incl Membership Secretary:		Newsletter Editor:	
Materials & Resources Officer:	Publicity Officer:	Liaison Officer:	In-Service Officer:
Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where known):			

Year: <b>1962</b>	President: Eric Bowker	Vice President: Prof Mahoney & Dr K Leopold	Secretary: Miss D. Rees
Treasurer incl Membership Secretary: Malcolm Mc Innes		Newsletter Editor: Miss M Gill	
Materials & Resources Officer:	Publicity Officer:	Liaison Officer:	In-Service Officer:

Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where known):  
 Sr Mary Borgia, Mrs I Stenders, Miss R George, Mr A Denat, Mr P Krebs, Mr R Mc Donell, Mr D Munro, and Co  
 opted Members: Mrs R Coe, Mrs S Young, Mr R Grieve, Mr K Leask, Miss K Simmons, Dr G Bonnin

Year: <b>1963</b>	President:	Vice President:	Secretary:
Treasurer incl Membership Secretary:		Newsletter Editor:	
Materials & Resources Officer:	Publicity Officer:	Liaison Officer:	In-Service Officer:
Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where known):			

Year: <b>1964</b>	President: Eric Bowker/Prof Leopold(?)	Vice President:	Secretary: Mr J. Carr
Treasurer incl Membership Secretary:		Newsletter Editor:	
Materials & Resources Officer:	Publicity Officer:	Liaison Officer:	In-Service Officer:
Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where known):			

Year: <b>1965</b>	President:	Vice President:	Secretary: Miss C. Owen
Treasurer incl Membership Secretary:		Newsletter Editor:	
Materials & Resources Officer:	Publicity Officer:	Liaison Officer:	In-Service Officer:
Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where known):			

Year: <b>1966</b>	President: Wim L. Goosens	Vice President:	Secretary: Sr Mary Borgia
Treasurer incl Membership Secretary:		Newsletter Editor: G A Browne	
Materials & Resources Officer:	Publicity Officer:	Liaison Officer:	In-Service Officer:
Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where known):			

Year: <b>1967</b>	President: Wim L. Goosens	Vice President: Prof Leopold&Mr Don Munro	Secretary: Sr Mary Borgia
Treasurer incl Membership Secretary: Howard T Baker		Newsletter Editor: Doug Godwin	
Materials & Resources Officer:	Publicity Officer:	Liaison Officer:	In-Service Officer:
Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where known): Mr J Carr, Mr B Gallwey, Miss N Garrick, Miss R George, Br Iranaeus, Mr P Krebs, Mr H Rowe, Mrs L Willson			

Year: <b>1968</b>	President: Wim L. Goosens	Vice President: Mr Don Munro& Dr G Bonnin	Secretary: Sr Mary Borgia
Treasurer incl Membership Secretary: Howard T Baker		Newsletter Editor: Doug Godwin	
Materials & Resources Officer:	Publicity Officer:	Liaison Officer:	In-Service Officer:

Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where known):  
 Mrs Eileen Bowker, Mr Glyn Davies, Dr Ray Seckold, Fr Dempsey, Mr B Gallwey, Miss N Garrick, Miss R George,  
 Mr H Rowe, Mrs L Wilson

Year: <b>1969</b>	President: Grahame Browne	Vice President: Wim Goosens & Prof. Leopold	Secretary: Miss J Casey
Treasurer incl Membership Secretary: Howard T Baker		Newsletter Editor: Doug Godwin	
Materials & Resources Officer:	Publicity Officer:	Liaison Officer:	In-Service Officer:
Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where known): Mrs E Bowker, Mr D Munro, Mr G Davies, Mr H Rowe, Sister Mary Borgia, Dr R Sekold, Mr D Ingram, Mr G Bruce			

Year: <b>1970</b>	President: Grahame Browne	Vice President: Dr G Bonnin & Doug Godwin	Secretary: Mrs D.E.Hambrecht
Treasurer incl Membership Secretary: Howard T Baker		Newsletter Editor: Sr Mary Borgia	
Materials & Resources Officer:	Publicity Officer:	Liaison Officer:	In-Service Officer:
Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where known): Mr G Bruce, Mr H Rowe, Dr R Sekold, Mr R. Mahoney, Mr J Bissett, Mr A Weller, Mr R Meggitt, Mr P Thomas			

Year: <b>1971</b>	President: John Bissett	Vice President: Dr G Bonnin & Doug Godwin	Secretary: David Ingram
Treasurer incl Membership Secretary: Robert Mahoney		Newsletter Editor: Peter Meggitt	
Materials & Resources Officer:	Publicity Officer:	Liaison Officer:	In-Service Officer:
Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where known): Mr.H Baker, Natalie Garrick, Mr P Thomas, Margaret Cooke, Grahame Browne, Dr R Seckold, Miss L Miller, Mr T Wilson			

Year: <b>1972</b>	President: John Bissett	Vice President: Dr G Bonnin & Doug Godwin	Secretary: David Ingram
Treasurer incl Membership Secretary: Robert Mahoney		Newsletter Editor: Peter Meggitt	
Materials & Resources Officer: Pam Skardoon	Publicity Officer:	Liaison Officer:	In-Service Officer:
Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where known): Miss Natalie Garrick, Mr Paul Thomas, Miss Margaret Cooke, Dr Ray Seckold, Mr Trevor Wilson, Professor Joyce Ackroyd, Mr Tom McIntosh			

Year: <b>1973</b>	President: John Bissett	Vice President: Dr G Bonnin & Natalie Garrick	Secretary: David Ingram
Treasurer incl Membership Secretary: Robert Mahoney		Newsletter Editor: Peter Meggitt	
Materials & Resources Officer: Pam Skardoon	Publicity Officer:	Liaison Officer:	In-Service Officer:
Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where known): Prof Ackroyd, Kerry Fairbairn, Leigh Kent, Sr Mary Lenard, Sister Lucy, Rob Mc Donell, Gary Murray, Lorene Noble, Paul Thomas, Trevor Wilson			

Year: <b>1974</b>	President: John Bissett	Vice President: Natalie Garrick & Peter Meggitt	Secretary: Bev Bonning Assistant Secretary: Roger White
Treasurer incl Membership Secretary: Robert Mahoney		Newsletter Editor: Peter Meggitt / Gary Murray	
Materials & Resources Officer:	Publicity Officer:	Liaison Officer:	In-Service Officer:
Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where known): Prof Ackroyd, Kerry Fairbairn, Gary Birch, David Ingram, Zillah Bunn, Elizabeth Ladlay, Ann Caston, Marilyn McMeniman, Margaret Cooke, Sr Romuald, Alan Corkhill, Prof M Spencer, Anne Teitzel			

Year: <b>1975</b>	President: John Bissett	Vice President: Gary Birch & Gary Murray	Secretary: Bev Bonning Assistant Secretary: Roger White
Treasurer incl Membership Secretary: Bruce Downie		Newsletter Editor: Roger White	
Materials & Resources Officer: Esther Loy & Joan de Graaf	Publicity Officer:	Liaison Officer:	In-Service Officer:
Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where known): Zillah Bunn, Elizabeth Ladlay, Ann Caston, Pam Lait, Marg Cooke, Marilyn McMeniman, Alan Corkhill, Rob Mahoney, Kerry Fairbairn, Br Montanus, Trevor Steele			

Year: <b>1976</b>	President: Gary Birch	Vice President: David Ingram & Gary Murray	Secretary: Bev Bonning Assistant Secretary: Pam Lait
Treasurer incl Membership Secretary: Bruce Downie		Newsletter Editor: Roger White	
Materials & Resources Officer: Natalie Garrick	Publicity Officer:	Liaison Officer:	In-Service Officer:
Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where known): Zillah Bunn, Ann Caston, Marg Isbell, Kerry Fairbairn, Elizabeth Harrington, Terry Jordon, Barry Joy, Br Montanus, Ingrid Moses, Roland Rochecouste (French), Prof M Spencer, Lyndall Vernon, Fay Russell (German), Roger White (Jap), Beulah Middleton (Greek), G Rando [Italian]			

Year: <b>1977</b>	President: David Ingram	Vice President: Zillah Bunn	Secretary: Bev Bonning Assistant Secretary: Pam Lait
Treasurer incl Membership Secretary: Bruce Downie		Newsletter Editor: Gary Murray	
Materials & Resources Officer: Natalie Garrick	Publicity Officer: Roger White	Liaison Officer: Marg Isbel	In-Service Officer: Kerry Fairbairn
Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where known): Zillah Bunn (Italian?), Ann Caston, Br Montanus, Roland Rochecouste (French), Fay Russell (German), Lyndall Vernon, Dick Whittington (Indonesian), Beulah Middleton (Greek), Bob Dawson (Chinese), Glyn John (Community Languages), Bob Mc Donnell, Hanna Spykerboer, Roger White (Japanese)			

Year: <b>1978</b>	President: David Ingram	Vice President: Zillah Bunn	Secretary: Ann Caston Assistant Secretary: Pam Lait
Treasurer; Membership Secretary (separate as from '78): Marg Isbel; Bev Bonning		Newsletter Editor; Newsbrief editor: Gary Murray	
Materials & Resources Officer: Natalie Garrick	Publicity Officer: Roger White	Liaison Officer: Carmel Gomm	In-Service Officer:
Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where known): Bob Dawson (Chinese), Roland Rochecouste (French), Beulah Middleton (Greek), Gary Birch, Bruce Downie, Br Montanus, Anna van Hoof, Glyn John (Community Languages), Fay Russell (German), Dick Whittington (Indonesian), Bob Mc Donell (Italian), Hanna Spykerboer			

Year: <b>1979</b>	President: David Ingram	Vice President: Zillah Bunn	Secretary: Ann Caston Assistant Secretary: Pam Lait
Treasurer; Membership Secretary: Marg Isbel; Bev Bonning		Newsletter Editor; Newsbrief editor: Gary Murray	
Materials & Resources Officer: Natalie Garrick	Publicity Officer: Roger White	Liaison Officer: Carmel Gomm	In-Service Officer:
Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where known): N Bricknell (Chinese), Roland Rochecouste (French), Tony Miller (Greek), Remo Boccabella (Italian), Joy Tataraki, Gary Birch, Bruce Downie, Glyn John (Community Languages), Fay Russell (German), Dick Whittington (Indonesian), Bob Mc Donnell, Hanna Spykerboer, Sr Hennessey			

Year: <b>1980</b>	President: David Ingram	Vice President: Zillah Bunn	Secretary: Ann Caston Assistant Secretary: Pam Lait
Treasurer; Membership Secretary: Roger White; Bev Bonning		Newsletter Editor; Newsbrief editor: Gary Murray	
Materials & Resources Officer: Ray Craig	Publicity Officer: Tom Mac Intosh	Liaison Officer: Bob Pearce	In-Service Officer: Bruce Downie
Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where known): G Birch (Primary), Roslyn Gomm (Chinese), Judy Stewart ( French), Pat Stewart (German), Beulah Caston (Greek), Dick Whittington (Indonesian), Janette Favretto (Italian), Joan de Graaf, Arthur Deutscher, Mary Farrell-Jones, Bob Mc Donell, Meryl Pryor, Hanna Spykerboer, Lyn Lester, Daphane Todd			

Year: <b>1981</b>	President: David Ingram	Vice President: Zillah Bunn	Secretary: Mary Farrell-Jones Assistant Secretary: Pam Lait
Treasurer; Membership Secretary: Roger White; Bev Bonning		Newsletter Editor; Newsletter editor Andrew Hogg; Gary Murray	
Materials & Resources Officer: Lester Ford	Publicity Officer: Tom McIntosh	Liaison Officer: Bob Pearce	In-Service Officer: Bruce Downie
Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where known): Judy Stewart (French), Joan de Graaf (German), Beulah Caston (Greek), Dick Whittington (Indonesian), Janette Favretto (Italian), Pam Lait (Language Comp), Gary Birch (Primary), Fran Beattie, Elene Carides, Arthur Deutscher, Lyn Lester, Rob McDonell, Meryl Pryor, Hanna Spykerboer, Daphane Todd, Roger White (Japanese)			

Year: <b>1982</b>	President: Mary Farrell-Jones	Vice President: Zillah Bunn	Secretary: Anna van Hoof Assistant Secretary: Fran Beattie
Treasurer; Membership Secretary: Roger White; Bev Bonning		Newsletter Editor; Newsbrief editor: Andrew Hogg; Gary Murray	
Materials & Resources Officer: Lester Ford	Publicity Officer: Judy Stewart	Liaison Officer: Bob Pearce	In-Service Officer: Bruce Downie
Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where known): Angelika Fremd, Pam Lait, Daphane Todd, Meryl Pryor, Joan de Graaf, Lyn Lester, Rose Harty, Ann Caston, Ray Geise, Hans Melson, Gary Birch, David Ingram, Elene Carides, Janette Favretto, Beulah Caston			

Year: <b>1983</b>	President: Mary Farrell-Jones	Vice President: Zillah Bunn	Secretary: Anna van Hoof Assistant Secretary: Fran Beattie
Treasurer; Membership Secretary: Roger White; Bev Bonning		Newsletter Editor; Newsbrief editor: Andrew Hogg; Angelika Fremd(last separate journal)	
Materials & Resources Officer: Judy Stewart	Publicity Officer: Bob Pearce	Liaison Officer: Bruce Downie	In-Service Officer: Ann Caston
Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where known): Daphane Todd, Joan de Graaf, Hans Melson, Gary Birch, Gary Murray, Janette Favretto, Lester Ford, Geta Breitenbach, Maretti Geelen, Barbara Clarke, Marcel Noest, Hélène Vial			

Year: <b>1984</b>	President: Zillah Bunn	Vice President: Joan de Graaf	Secretary: Anna van Hoof Assistant Secretary: Fran Beattie
Treasurer; Membership Secretary: Roger White; John Findlay		Newsletter Editor: Wendy Parkinson	
Materials & Resources Officer: Ann Caston	Publicity Officer: Judy Stewart	Liaison Officer: Maretti Geelan	In-Service Officer: Bruce Downie
Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where known): Lester Ford, Daphane Todd, Ray Geise, Jare Rosel, Marcel Noest, Barbara Clarke, Hans Melson, Hanna Spykerboer, Lyn Lester, Janette Favretto			

Year: <b>1985</b>	President: Zillah Bunn	Vice President: Joan de Graaf	Secretary: Anna van Hoof Assistant Secretary: Fran Beattie
Treasurer; Membership Secretary: Roger White; John Findlay		Newsletter Editor: Wendy Parkinson	
Materials & Resources Officer: Ann Caston	Publicity Officer: Judy Stewart	Liaison Officer: Diana Marshall	In-Service Officer: Bruce Downie
Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where known): Bev Bonning, Barbara Clarke, Elizabeth Casey, Laurie Gaffney, Ken McGuire, Hans Melson, Marcel Noest, Jan Rosel, Pat Stewart, Elaine Wylie			

Year: <b>1986</b>	President: Zillah Bunn	Vice President: Joan de Graaf	Secretary: Anna van Hoof Assistant Secretary: Fran Beattie
Treasurer; Membership Secretary: Dick Whittington; John Findlay		Newsletter Editor: Wendy Parkinson	
Materials & Resources Officer: Ann Caston	Publicity Officer: Marcel Noest	Liaison Officer: Diana Marshall	In-Service Officer: Elizabeth Casey
Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where known): Helen Best, Bev Bonning, Barbara Clarke, Barbara Drew, Lester Ford, Birgit Keller, Dawn Lang, Ken Mc Guire, Hans Melson, Alan Rowell, Judy Stewart, Elaine Wylie			

Year: <b>1987</b>	President: Barbara Clarke	Vice President: Roger White	Secretary: Anna van Hoof Assistant Secretary: Fran Beattie
Treasurer; Membership Secretary: Dick Whittington; John Findlay		Newsletter Editor: Wendy Parkinson	
Materials & Resources Officer: Ann Caston	Publicity Officer: Marcel Noest	Liaison Officer: Diana Marshall	In-Service Officer: Elizabeth Casey
Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where known): Heidi Anker, Helen Best, Zillah Bunn, Bruce Downie, Lita Fabbri (Italian), Lester Ford, Bronwyn Jones, Birgit Keller, Lesleigh Maher (Chinese), Paul Miles (German), Barbara O'Rourke (Retroth - Hartley) (Japanese), Alan Rowell, Gracelyn Schluter (French), Brunella Novello (Primary)			

Year: <b>1988</b>	President: Barbara Clarke	Vice President: Roger White	Secretary: Anna van Hoof Assistant Secretary: Fran Beattie
Treasurer; Membership Secretary: Alan Rowell; John Findlay		Newsletter Editor: Wendy Parkinson	
Materials & Resources Officer: Ann Caston	Publicity Officer: Marcel Noest	Liaison Officer: Diana Marshall	In-Service Officer: Elizabeth Casey
Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where known): Heidi Anker, Helen Best, Elizabeth Casey, Bruce Downie, Lita Fabbri, Lester Ford, Joan de Graaf, Birgit Keller, Paul Miles, Barbara Retroth (Hartley), Lindy Steele			

Year: <b>1989</b>	President: Barbara Clark	Vice President: Roger White	Secretary: Anna van Hoof Assistant Secretary: Fran Beattie
Treasurer; Membership Secretary: Alan Rowell; John Findlay		Newsletter Editor: Wendy Parkinson	
Materials & Resources Officer: Ann Caston	Publicity Officer: Marcel Noest	Liaison Officer: Diana Marshall	In-Service Officer: Gracelyn Schluter
Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where known): Lester Ford, Lita Fabbri(Italian), Paul Miles, Pam Lait, Helen Best, Lindy Steele, Gracelyn Schluter, Barbara Retroth (Hartley), Joan de Graaf, Helen Claes, Cheryl Capra (Primary), Birgit Keller, Bruce Downie, Lesleigh Mather			

Year: <b>1990</b>	President: Barbara Clarke	Vice President: Roger White	Secretary: Anna van Hoof Assistant Secretary: Fran Beattie
Treasurer; Membership Secretary: Alan Rowell; John Findlay		Newsletter Editor: Wendy Parkinson	
Materials & Resources Officer: Helen Best	Publicity Officer: Marcel Noest	Liaison Officer: Diana Marshall	In-Service Officer: Lindy Steele
Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where known): Cheryl Capra (Primary), Yuet Lau (Chinese), Diana Marshall (French), Bruce Downie (German), Lita Fabbri (Italian), Helen Claes (Japanese), Joan de Graaf, Barbara Fudge, Suellen Hardie, Maria Kazoullis, Birgit Keller, Pam Lait, Tony Lenigas			

Year: <b>1991</b>	President: W.Parkinson&M.Noest	Vice President: Roger White	Secretary: Anna van Hoof Assistant Secretary: Fran Beattie
Treasurer; Membership Secretary: Lindy Steele; John Findlay		Newsletter Editor: Alan Rowell	
Materials & Resources Officer: Helen Best	Publicity Officer: Fil Oram	Liaison Officer: Marcel Noest	In-Service Officer: Anna van Hoof
Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where known): Paula Hay (German), Helen Claes (Japanese), Kimberley Bridgwood (Chinese), Susi Rekdale (Indonesian), Suellen Hardie (Latin), Cheryl Capra (Primary), Paul Cooke, Barbara Fudge, Helen Nicolson, Lita Fabbri, Bruce Downie, Maria Kazoullis, Antonia Simpson, John Lanau, Maurizia Turco			

Year: <b>1992</b>	President: Marcel Noest	Vice President: Bruce Downie	Secretary: Judy Lucas Assistant Secretary: Fran Beattie
Treasurer; Membership Secretary: Lindy Steele; John Findlay		Newsletter Editor: Alan Rowell	
Materials & Resources Officer: Helen Best	Publicity Officer: Fil Oram	Liaison Officer: Marcel Noest	In-Service Officer: Michele Endicott
Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where known): Kimberley Bridgwood (Chinese), Paula Hay (German), Heather Kopp (Indonesian), Maurizia Turco (Italian), Susie Fenton (Japanese), Cheryl Capra (Primary), Maree Brown, Helen Nicolson, Sue Stone, Lita Fabbri, Antonia Simpson			

Year: <b>1993</b>	President: Cheryl Capra	Vice President: Marcel Noest	Secretary: Judy Lucas Assistant Secretary: Fran Beattie
Treasurer; Membership Secretary: Lindy Steele; John Findlay		Newsletter Editor: Alan Rowell	
Materials & Resources Officer: Helen Best	Publicity Officer: Fil Oram	Liaison Officer: Marcel Noest	In-Service Officer: Michele Endicott
Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where known): Catriona Matheson (Chinese), Jenny Miller (French), Paula Hay (German), Heather Kopp (Indonesian), Maurizia Turco (Italian), Susie Fenton (Japanese), Margaret Mourik (Primary), Melissa Cloake, Lester Ford, Antonia Simpson, Barbara Downie, Helen Nicolson, Sue Stone, Bruce Downie, Delia Price, Linda White			

Year: <b>1994/5</b>	President: Cheryl Capra	Vice President: Bruce Downie	Secretary: Margaret Mourik Assistant Secretary: Catriona Matheson
Treasurer; Membership Secretary: Barbara Downie; John Findlay		Newsletter Editor: Alan Rowell	
Materials & Resources Officer: Helen Best	Publicity Officer: Antonia Simpson	Liaison Officer: Cheryl Capra	In-Service Officer: Michele Endicott
Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where known): Catriona Matheson (Chinese), Maria Cazacu (French), Paula Hay (German), Heather Kopp (Indonesian), Maurizia Turco (Italian), Greg Dabelstein (Japanese), Fran Beattie, Melissa Cloake, Lester Ford, Lindy Steel, May Kwan, Maya Dobrenoj-Major			

Year: <b>1996</b>	President: Marcel Noest	Vice President: Bruce Downie	Secretary: Margaret Mourik Assistant Secretary: Catriona Matheson
Treasurer; Membership Secretary: Barbara Downie; John Findlay		Newsletter Editor: Alan Rowell	
Materials & Resources Officer: Helen Best	Publicity Officer: Antonia Simpson	Liaison Officer: Alan Rowell	In-Service Officers: Wendy Parkinson, Anna van Hoof
Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where known): Catriona Matheson (Chinese), Maria Cazacu (French), Kylie Cornish (German), Heather Kopp (Indonesian), Maurizia Turco (Italian), Greg Dabelstein (Japanese), Fran Beattie, Robyn Jones, Cheryl Capra, Sherryl Saunders, Lester Ford			

Year: <b>1997</b>	President: Alan Rowell	Vice President: Bruce Downie	Secretary: Margaret Mourik Assistant Secretary: Fran Beattie
Treasurer; Membership Secretary: Barbara Downie; John Findlay		Newsletter Editor: Jane Crawford	
Materials & Resources Officer: Helen Best	Publicity Officer: Antonia Simpson	Liaison Officer: Marcel Noest	In-Service Officers: Wendy Parkinson, Anna van Hoof
Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where known): Kay Bence (Chinese), Sonia Kokot (French), Kylie Cornish (German), Heather Kopp (Indonesian), Maurizia Turco (Italian), Roger Barlett (Japanese), Greg Dabelstein (Webmaster), Catriona Matheson, Sherryl Saunders			

Year: <b>1998</b>	President: Alan Rowell	Vice President: Bruce Downie	Secretary: Helen Nicolson Assistant Secretary: Bettine Lee
Treasurer; Membership Secretary: Barbara Downie; Kylie Cornish		Newsletter Editor: Jane Crawford	
Materials & Resources Officer: Helen Best	Publicity Officer: Antonia Simpson	Liaison Officer: Marcel Noest	In-Service Officers: Sherryl Saunders
Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where known): Greg Dabelstein (Webmaster), John Findlay, Fran Beattie, Ann Christensen, Lester Ford, Lita Fabbri (Italian), Robyn Jones Primary), Sonia Kokot (French), Heather Kopp, Roger Bartlett (Japanese), Kylie Cornish & Paula Hay (German), Michele Endicott (Tertiary)			

Year: <b>1999</b>	President: Alan Rowell	Vice President: Marcel Noest	Secretary: Helen Nicolson Assistant Secretary: Bettine Lee
Treasurer; Membership Secretary: Barbara Downie; Sherryl Saunders		Newsletter Editor: Jane Crawford	
Materials & Resources Officer: Helen Best	Publicity Officer: Antonia Simpson	Liaison Officer: Alan Rowell	In-Service Officers: Sherryl Saunders
Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where know): Greg Dabelstein (Webmaster), Catriona Matheson (Assistant Treasurer), Michele Endicott (Tertiary), Lita Fabbri - Romeo, (Italian), Bruce Downie, John Findlay, Roger Bartlett (Japanese), Sonia Kokot (French), Wendy Parkinson, Irma Asher			

Year: <b>2000</b>	President:	Vice President:	Secretary:  Assistant Secretary:
Treasurer; Membership Secretary: ?? Sherryl Saunders		Newsletter Editor: Jane Crawford	
Materials & Resources Officer: Helen Best	Publicity Officer: Antonia Simpson	Liaison Officer:	In-Service Officers:
Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where known): Greg Dabelstein (Webmaster), Catriona Matheson (Assistant Treasurer), Michele Endicott (Tertiary), Lita Fabbri - Romeo, (Italian), Bruce Downie, John Findlay, Roger Bartlett (Japanese), Sonia Kokot (French), Wendy Parkinson, Irma Asher			

Year: <b>2001</b>	President: Greg Dabelstein	Vice President:	Secretary:  Assistant Secretary:
Treasurer; Membership Secretary: Barbara Downie; Sherryl Saunders		Newsletter Editor: Jane Crawford	
Materials & Resources Officer: Helen Best	Publicity Officer: Antonia Simpson	Liaison Officer: Alan Rowell	In-Service Officers: Sherryl Saunders
Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where known): Greg Dabelstein (Webmaster), Catriona Matheson (Assistant Treasurer), Michele Endicott (Tertiary), Lita Fabbri - Romeo, (Italian), Bruce Downie, , Roger Bartlett (Japanese),			

Year: <b>2002</b>	President: Greg Dabelstein	Vice President:	Secretary: Jo Soothill Assistant Secretary:
Treasurer; Membership Secretary: Catriona Matheson; Helen Best		Newsletter Editor: Jane Crawford	
Materials & Resources Officer: Helen Best	Publicity Officer: Antonia Simpson	Liaison Officer: Alan Rowell	In-Service Officers: Sherryl Saunders
Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where known): Greg Dabelstein (Webmaster), Catriona Matheson (Assistant Treasurer), Michele Endicott (Tertiary), Lita Fabbri - Romeo, (Italian), Bruce Downie, Roger Bartlett (Japanese),			

Year: <b>2003</b>	President: Greg Dabelstein	Vice President:	Secretary: Jo Soothill Assistant Secretary:
Treasurer; Membership Secretary: Catriona Matheson; Helen Best		Newsletter Editor: Simone Smala & Shannon Johnstone	
Materials & Resources Officer: Helen Best	Publicity Officer: Amanda Pentti	Liaison Officer: Greg Dabelstein	In-Service Officers: Sherryl Saunders
Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where known): Greg Dabelstein (Webmaster), Catriona Matheson, Michele Endicott (Tertiary),			

Year: <b>2004</b>	President: Sherryl Saunders	Vice President:	Secretary: Lester Ford Assistant Secretary: Antonia Simpson
Treasurer; Membership Secretary: Jo Soothill; Helen Best		Newsletter Editor: Simone Smala & Shannon Johnstone	
Materials & Resources Officer: Helen Best	Publicity Officer: Lois Cutmore	Liaison Officer: Sherryl Saunders	In-Service Officers: Annabelle Ritchie
Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where known): Helen Best (Webmaster), Lois Cutmore, Antonia Simpson, Paula Hay, Anna Elkington (Assistant Treasurer),			

Year: <b>2005</b>	President: Sherryl Saunders	Vice President:	Secretary: Lester Ford Assistant Secretary:
Treasurer; Membership Secretary: Jo Soothill; Helen Best		Newsletter Editor: Simone Smala & Shannon Johnstone	
Materials & Resources Officer: Helen Best	Publicity Officer: Lois Cutmore	Liaison Officer: Sherryl Saunders	In-Service Officers: Annabelle Ritchie
Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where known): Helen Best (Webmaster), Lois Cutmore, Antonia Simpson, Paula Hay, Anna Elkington (Assistant Treasurer),			

Year: <b>2006</b>	President: Sherryl Saunders	Vice President: Cynthia Dodd	Secretary: Lester Ford Assistant Secretary:
Treasurer; Membership Secretary: Jo Soothill; Helen Best		Newsletter Editor: Simone Smala & Nicola du Thaler	
Materials & Resources Officer: Helen Best	Publicity Officer: Lois Cutmore	Liaison Officer: Sherryl Saunders	In-Service Officers: Georgiana Poulter
Executive Members and Sub Committee Conveners (where known): Helen Best (Webmaster), Lois Cutmore, Antonia Simpson, Paula Hay, Dianne Christoloulides, Belinda Wauge (German), Chizuko Gomura (Japanese), Thais Morgan-Pertus			

**Notes:**

Some of the roles and responsibilities have varied considerably over the years, especially in the area of Publications.

1978 saw the start of the Newsbrief and in 1984 the *Newsletter* and *Journal* became one publication. The *Newsbrief* is presently known as the *LoteNote* and the *Newsletter* is now known as the *MLTAQuarterly*.

Until 1977 the Treasurer was both the Treasurer and the Membership Secretary.