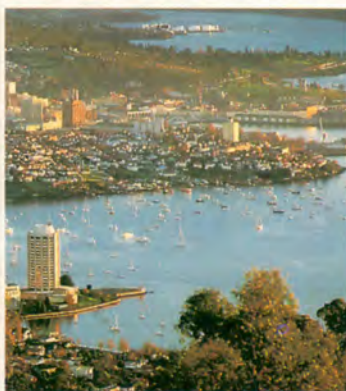
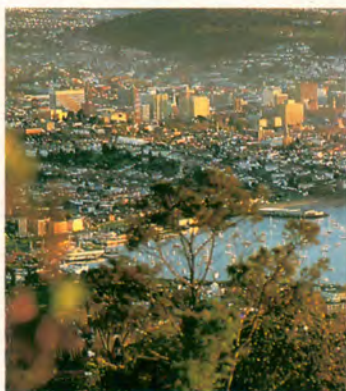
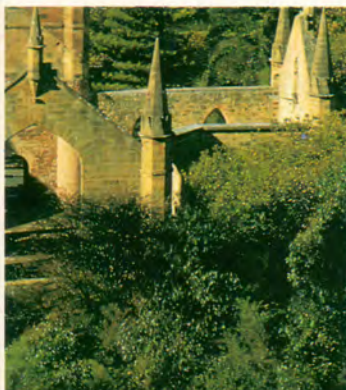
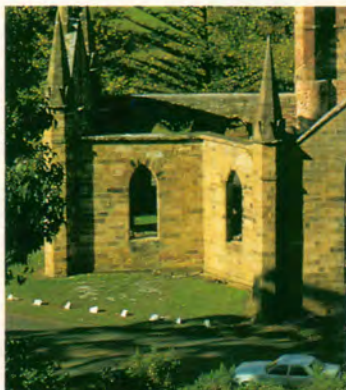
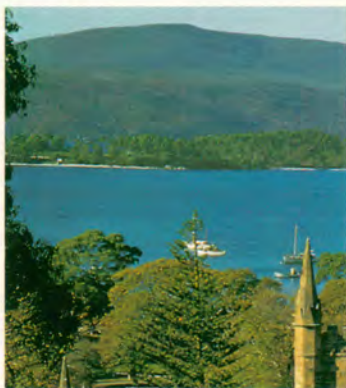


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# **Introduction to Speleomania**

This, the fifteenth biennial Conference of the Australian Speleological Federation will, we hope, bring the whole concept of conferences back to "ground zero". It has become apparent that there is a trend away from the interests of the average club member and towards the armchair type caver. Tasmania is known for its hard and wet vertical systems as well as some very beautiful caves, so there ought to be plenty to interest all. The emphasis will be on caving rather than academic type stuff. We certainly need the scientific side, but the sport here is a sport and so the conference will, we hope, deal with techniques, gear, rescue techniques, surveying (including computing and cartography techniques), as well as cave diving (the new frontier) and even medicine in the underground environment.

Papers on any other aspect of the sport will also be most welcome.

## **Contributions**

Papers may be of any realistic length, but in general each contributor will have about 30 minutes in which to present his/her paper, including question time and so on. Audio-visual aids will be available but these may be relatively basic.

## **Functions and Other Happenings**

Various evening functions will occur with the emphasis on casual socialising. A "Dam Buster" BBQ will be held on the Sunday night before the start of sessions. Speleosports, photographic competition, and all the other usual happenings at ASF Conferences will happen. For those interested in where their money goes and why, the annual ASF Committee meeting will be held during the week of the conference.

## **Miscellaneous Information**

Child minding may be able to be arranged if required — indicate your needs on the form.

T shirts will be available but must be pre-paid — costs and so on later.

Hopefully there will be a gear shop, as well as a bookshop with a small surcharge for Speleomania.

Please let us know of any ideas you have concerning the conference — things you would like to see or do, etc.

**FOR THOSE WHO RETURN THE FORM** there will be a more definitive form appearing later, together with information on field trips, gear requirements and so on. **BUT PLEASE SEND IN THE FORM ATTACHED AS SOON AS YOU ARE ABLE.** This is most important !!!!!



# Ansett.

We have appointed Ansett as the Official Airline for our Conference. Ansett will provide a 10% discount to economy class passengers travelling together in groups of 15 or more on the forward leg of the journey within Australia. To receive all benefits available to you and to assist both the organisers and the Airline, it is essential that reservations are made through the Ansett offices listed below.

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## An Explanation of the Form . . .

**Part A.** This should be fairly clear — we need to know who you are and where you live. If you are even vaguely interested in the Conference please fill in a form and send it back to us. We don't want the situation where people appear unheralded and for whom there is no accommodation, food, etc.

**Part B.** Accommodation is in huts that sleep six or eight people. If you don't like that you will have to bring a tent, hire a camper, or make your own arrangements (we can help). There is limited room so if you want a hut — BE QUICK! Caterers will supply all food.

**Part C.** Owing to the apparent remoteness of Tasmania, we have arranged a block booking on the EMPRESS. To Tassie: January 4. From Tassie: January 13 and January 27. Should you require other times, you will have to make your own arrangements (and the best of luck to you!). If you fly please use ANSETT where possible as they have been appointed the official carriers.

**Part D.** Please indicate if you are able to present a paper on any relevant subject.

**Part E.** The field trips will be on a "do your own thing" basis. Please indicate your area(s) of interest for pre and/or post conference field trips. More detail will appear in later circulars (for those who return the form) and the ASF Newsletter.





**INTENTION TO ATTEND** — Returning this form will ensure that you receive all further information.

**Part A —**

NAME: .....

POSTAL ADDRESS: .....

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..... POST CODE: .....

PHONE: (H) ..... (W) .....

CLUB: .....

My attendance at the Conference is:

Definite ☐ Probable ☐ Possible ☐

If I am unable to attend, I am ☐  
interested in receiving any further circulars and other notes and  
publications.

**Part B — ACCOMMODATION AT CONFERENCE VENUE**

Group Hut (First in first served) ☐

Tent (BYO) ☐ Hotel ☐ None ☐

**Part C — TRANSPORT ON EMPRESS**

CAR: Make & Model: .....

Year: ..... Length: ..... Reg. No.: .....

BERTHS: Number required: ..... Cabin ☐ Chairs ☐

Names and ages of all children travelling: .....

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Date for return passage: Jan 14 ☐ Jan 27 ☐

**Part D — INTENTION TO CONTRIBUTE A PAPER**

I am interested in presenting paper(s) ☐

Subject(s): .....

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**Part E — FIELD TRIPS**

Mole Creek ☐

Mt Anne ☐

Other ☐

June Florentine ☐

Ida Bay ☐

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**If anything is unclear, or there is insufficient room on the form, or if you require more information please enclose a separate sheet.**