

24th Biennial Conference of the Australian Speleological Federation

Incorporating 3rd Australian Cave History Seminar 6th Australian Karst Studies Seminar

2nd - 8th January 2003 BUNBURY, WESTERN AUSTRALIA

PO Box 1611 EAST VICTORIA PARK WA 6981

Telephone/Fax: (08) 9470 3023 Email: To be advised - refer to website

GO WEST IN 2003!

This is your invitation to join us in and under WA for a fun-filled conference, designed to appeal to everyone. In coming to UNDER **WA**Y you will be attending not just the 24th Biennial ASF Conference, but also the 3rd Australian Cave History Seminar as well as the 6th Australian Karst Studies Seminar - all at no extra cost. The fortunate inclusion of the two seminars allows us to offer a much broader base of subject choices than would otherwise be possible. Whatever your interests we have plenty to offer within the whole spectrum of speleology.

We're looking forward to seeing you in 2003!

Visit the conference website at: http://people.mail2me.com.au/~wayne/srgwa/conference/index.htm

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Whole Conference – Early Bird (pay before 30/9/2002) (Includes all meals, accommodation, presentations/workshops, activities, Field Trip, Cavers' Dinner, Art Show and copy of proceedings.)		
Whole Conference (pay after 1/10/2002) (Includes all meals, accommodation, presentations/workshops, activities, Field Trip, Cavers' Dinner, Art Show and copy of proceedings.)	\$415*	
Whole Conference for Children, 5-12 years (Under 5 years are free) (Includes all meals, accommodation, presentations/workshops, activities, Field Trip, Cavers' Dinner, Art Show – proceedings not included.)	\$200	
Day Only (Includes the day's presentations/workshops, activities, morning/afternoon tea, lunch and dinner)	\$65	
Day/Night (Includes the day's presentations/workshops, activities, morning/afternoon tea, lunch, dinner, accommodation and breakfast.)	\$80	
Field Trip (Sunday - includes the Field Trip, morning/afternoon tea, lunch and dinner.)	\$75	
Weekend Combo (Saturday - includes the day's presentations/workshops, activities, morning/afternoon tea, lunch, dinner and accommodation. Sunday - includes breakfast, Field Trip, morning/afternoon tea, lunch and dinner.)	\$130	
Cavers' Dinner (Tuesday evening - Celebration Dinner, Awards / Prize presentation.)	\$25	
Bed & Breakfast		
Merchandise & Extras		
Extra copy of printed proceedings (includes postage)	\$25	
Extra copy of proceedings on CD-ROM (includes postage)	\$15	
Polo Shirt - Grey with logo (Sizes available - XXL XL L M S)	\$32	
T-Shirt - Dark Blue with logo (Sizes available - XXL XL L M S)	\$20	
Stubby Holder - Black with logo	\$7	
Mug - Black with logo	\$5.50	

Packages for Adults unless nominated (prices are per person)

Limited bar facilities will be available each evening

*\$15 discount applies if copy of proceedings NOT required





Preliminary Program Outline

For enquiries, contact Norman Poulter on (08) 9276 2495.

Date	Morning Afternoon		Evening		
Thursday		Arrive after lunch for registration from 2pm	Welcome BBQ		
Friday	Official opening and presentations / workshops	ASF Council meeting - part 1 (all invited)	Opening of Art Exhibition		
Saturday	3rd Australian C Presentatio	Prussik Challenge			
Sunday	Conference outing / field trip	Return to the Grammar School for late dinner			
Monday	6th Australian Ka Presentatio	Photo Competition Slide Show			
Tuesday	esday ASF Council meeting - part 2 Speleo Sports (all invited)		Cavers' Dinner / Awards and prize presentation		
Wednesday	Pack up and leave by 10am for post-conference caving trips				

Official Opening

The conference will be opened by Dr. Brian O'Brien, the inaugural ASF President in 1956, before he went to work with NASA on the Apollo Moon Landing Program, and later became the first Chairman of Western Australia's Environmental Protection Authority.

Pre/Post Conference Caving

Leeuwin-Naturaliste - The Margaret River area will be our main caving focus. This very young dune limestone may be different from anything you have experienced. There will be everything from easy walk through caves to all day workouts, with plenty of spectacular decoration as reward, plus the chance to assist in conservation work or the famous Giants Dig. Bring a tent or stay in our very basic caving huts (no facilities), or it you prefer we will help you find accommodation nearby. **Yanchep** - At Yanchep, just north of Perth, you can visit caves with leaders including local expert Lex Bastian who is still pushing leads and discovering new holes. Cottage accommodation should be available.

Further North - While areas further north can get very hot, a trip to Eneabba may be possible, depending on demand.

Nullarbor - If you are driving to WA and would like to be involved in some caving on the Nullarbor we will do our best to facilitate this.

For pre/post conference caving, contact Jay Anderson on 0407 473 539 or email jaya@dcd.wa.gov.au



When & Where

Bunbury is located two hours south of Perth by road (or a scenic train ride on the 'Australind'), and less than an hour from our premier caving (and wine growing) area around Margaret River. See our website for information on Bunbury.

Bunbury Cathedral Grammar School is about 5 kms from the city centre, set in beautifully maintained bush land scenery. The auditorium and classrooms to be used for presentations and meetings are air-conditioned. Accommodation is in cottage style units, sleeping up to 10 people, each with its own shower and toilets, kitchenette and sitting area. With separate common/television rooms, and various gathering areas around the campus, there is plenty of opportunity to keep the party people apart from those who like to sleep. There is a shop around the corner for essentials and with the beach just a short drive away those who wish to will be able to fit in that daily swim.

Getting To The Conference

If you need help or advice in making arrangements regarding airline, bus, rail, accommodation in Perth and transport from Perth contact, Howard Richardson on (08) 9592 3271.



Art Show

IMAGES FROM BELOW - An Exhibition of Cave Art

The exhibition and sale of cave-related art is open to any speleo artist either nationally or internationally, working in a non-photographic artistic medium - painting, drawing, printmaking, sculpture, poetry etc. Artworks may be offered for sale or for exhibition only. A gala opening will be an important feature of the conference program. June MacLucas is once again kindly coordinating the exhibition. June can be contacted on (08) 8261 4180 or email junemacl@senet.com.au or watch for details on the website.

Partners & Children's Program And Alternate Activities

Transport will be made available for partners and children to enjoy a range of water, forest and wildlife based activities in the area, which will be cost free, or subsidised, wherever possible. Transport into town will be arranged for those needing to shop, or anyone not interested in participating in a particular part of the programme. Alternatively, the latter may like to band together and organise, for example, their own winery tour. For partners' and children's program contact, Fran Head on (08) 9341 7505.

Prussik Challenge & Speleo Sports

See how fast you can get yourself up a standard length of rope in the Prussik Challenge. We'll be having a timed contest to see who is the champion prussiker for this conference. If you win, you not only get the glory, you get a prize as well. After you've recovered from that, here's a chance to test your speed and obstacle negotiation skills in the Speleo Sports event. Entrants, in teams of 4, will be timed through an obstacle course set up with a wide array of skill-testing crawls, grovels, squeezes and who knows what else. Be afraid, be very afraid.

Photo Competition

See the enclosed information sheet / entry form.

Visit the conference website at: http://people.mail2me.com.au/zwayne/srgwa/conference/index.htm



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Registration Form

All conference information may be found on the Conference website. If you are unable to access the information contact Convenor Ida Newton on (08) 9470 3023

Personal Details Name: Address: Telephone: H: W: Mobile: Email: Please tick as applicable Attending Attending Partners' & Conference Attending Partners' &

List all Children	Please list age

Emergency Contact Name: Address: Telephone: H: Mobile: Email:

This registration form should be returned to PO Box 1611, EAST VICTORIA PARK WA 6981 with FULL payment of registration fees by 29th November 2002 To be eligible for the Early Bird rate, you need to forward your payment by 30th September 2002

Conference Packages

For package details refer to page 2 of brochure	Cost	Quantity	Total
Packages for Adults (prices are per person)			
Whole Conference - Early Bird (pay before 30/9/2002)	\$395*		
Whole Conference (pay after 1/10/2002)	\$415*		
Day Only (circle choice) Fri Sat Mon Tue	\$65		- <u></u>
Day/Night (circle choice) Fri Sat Mon Tue	\$80		
Field Trip (Sunday)	\$75		
Weekend Combo (Saturday & Sunday)	\$130		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Cavers' Dinner (Tuesday evening)	\$25		
Bed & Breakfast (circle choice) Thurs Fri Sat Sun Mon Tue	\$30		
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Please make your cheque or money order payable to: UNDER WAY Conference

Special Requirements

Do you have any special dietary/medical/other requirements that you would like us to know about?

How will you be getting to the Conference? ____ Y Ν Office Use Only Will you need assistance with transportation from Perth? Amount Received _____ Will you be attending the Pre/Post Conference Caving? Date _____ How do you require your proceedings? (tick choice) Remainder Payable Printed OR CD Receipt Sent ____

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Photographic Competition

Please ensure your name and category entered are marked on each entry. Please copy this entry form if you need more space to list your entries.

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Are the entries included with this Entry Form?		Entry Form?			Confere	ence to enter the
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UNDER WAY Photographic Competition

Conditions of Entry

The general aim of a photographic competition is to entertain and educate while, at the same time, competing against other entrants for favourable criticism.

Eligibility

- An entrant need not be an attendee of the UNDER WAY Conference. However. all posted entries must be accompanied by cheque/money order to cover return postage in addition to the prescribed entry fee (see Entry Deadlines A & B).
- 2. Photographs that have been awarded prizes at previous ASF conference photographic competitions are not eligible.
- 3. All entries must be the principal work of the entrant; if multiple people were involved, the entrant should be the director as well as the photographer.
- 4. Entries that depict unsafe acts/equipment or ethically unacceptable scenes are not eligible.

Categories

There are 15 categories with 5 subject headings.

Slides (colour) Entrance / Surface Feature Passage / Chamber Decoration Scientific Cavers (action/humorous/technique)	S1 S2 S3 S4 S5
Digital	
Entrance / Surface Feature Passage / Chamber	D1 D2
Decoration	D3
Scientific	D4
Cavers (action/humorous/technique)	D5
Prints (colour & b/w)	
Entrance / Surface Feature	P1
Passage / Chamber	P2
Decoration Scientific	P3 P4
Cavers (action/humorous/technique)	P5

- 5. There is a limit of 5 photographs per category.
- If there are insufficient entries in any category, that category may be withdrawn and entries allocated to another category.
- 7. The entry fee is \$1 per entry with a minimum fee per category of \$2. ie:

1 entry per category = \$2;

- 2 entries = \$2;
- 3 entries = \$3;
- 4 entries = \$4;
- 5 entries = \$5.

Display Format

<u>Categories S1 - S5</u> are open to traditional colour transparencies only, within the 50 x 50mm format, orientation clearly marked on the viewing side with the entrant's name, category number and title (if any) clearly marked on the rear of each mountime of the 24th <u>Categories D1 - D5</u> are open to electronic images. Images are to be either supplied on:

A: 3.5" floppy disc as a medium resolution "jpg"file with the entrant's name, category number/s, title/s clearly marked in a TEXT ONLY file and on a separate sheet of paper; <u>OR</u>

B: transmitted electronically with all information in the text and images as a medium resolution "jpg" file attachment to the UNDERWAY Conference Email address - (New email address to be advised - refer to website) with the subject field marked "PhotoComp".

<u>Categories P1 - P5</u> are open to colour or black & white prints in one size only, printed on colour or black & white photographic paper, using normal photographic techniques. Print size is 130 x 180 mm and must be mounted on A4 card but not framed, with the entrant's name, category number, title (if any) and orientation clearly marked on the rear of each mount.

Judging

- 8. All categories will be judged during the conference, by local professional photographer/s with guidance on speleological matters from the principal judge.
- All entries in the print category will in, addition, be subject to judging by conference attendees (public vote) during the conference for a "popular prize".
- 10. The judges' decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.
- If all entries in any category are deemed to be of insufficient quality, no prize will be awarded in that category.
- 12. There will be only one prize awarded per category (15 prizes).
- 13. If an entry is deemed by the judge/s to warrant further recognition, a special prize will be awarded. There will be only one such award.
- 14. Prizes will be announced and awarded during the course of the Cavers' Dinner at the close of the UNDER **WA**Y Conference.

Entry Deadlines

- A. The completed entry form & fees must arrive at UNDER WAY Photo Competition, PO Box 1611, EAST VICTORIA PARK WA 6981, by 29th November, 2002.
- B. Posted entries must not be included with other conference material unless enclosed in a separate marked envelope/package.
- C. All entries must be received at the registration desk no later than 10am, 3rd January, 2003.

Copyright & Use

- 15. Copyright remains with the photographer.
- 16. With the photographer's permission, entries may be reproduced in the conference proceedings, Australian Caver or other promotional material for future ASF conferences. The photographer will receive full recognition but will not expect any recompense for these uses.
- 17. Photographs will not be used for commercial purposes without the permission and recompense of the photographer.

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IT'S OFFICIAL

The 24th Biennial Conference of the ASF - "UNDER WAY" is under way

We're holding it at the **Bunbury Cathedral Grammar School** from 2nd to 7th January 2003.



So come on, cross the Nullarbor and enjoy a western conference and come caving with us in the glorious south-west and up the coast.

Then, there's so much else to see and do here – the Margaret River wine region, surfing and diving, fabulous beaches, camping in the cool Karri forests or exploring our beautiful south coast.

Sound like an excellent holiday?

Make that diary note now – we're looking forward to seeing you in 2003.

Info to date is on the reverse or contact us via phone, fax or Email as below;

Ida Newton (Convenor)

Ph/fax 08 9470 3023

Norman Poulter OAM (Agenda) Ph – 08 9276 2495 Email - underway@dingoblue.net.au

Or look up our Website after 30th September linked to;

SRGWA – <u>http://people.mail2me.com.au/~wayne/srgwa/index.htm</u>. or WASG - - wasg.iinet.net.au.

Flyers and Forms of the 24th Conference of the ASF 2003





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WHEN 2nd - 7th January 2003

WHERE Bunbury Cathedral Grammar School

Bunbury is WA's largest regional city, situated 180 Kilometres south of Perth. (2 hours by road). The school is 5 kilometres from the heart of Bunbury and set in beautifully maintained bushland scenery. Facilities include accommodation, all meals, a variety of lecture areas and all other associated needs for our conference.

ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

Registration and welcome barbeque will be on the afternoon/evening of Thursday 2nd. For the next five days, we'll have a range of presentations including research work, field trips, practical workshops, cave photography, rescue, roping and other equipment, mapping etc We'll also be holding Speleosports, Photography competition, Art Exhibition and much more.

The evenings will be social with bar facilities on site.

In the evening of Tuesday 7th, we'll host our final dinner which will include the ASF awards and presentation of prizes. The conference accommodation is booked to allow us to vacate by 10am on Wednesday 8th.

POST CONFERENCE CAVING

Following the conference, we'll be going caving in various areas of the Leeuwin-Naturaliste Ridge, Yanchep and possibly Eneabba. Caving in the Nullarbor and Cape Range may also be available.





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Australian Speleological Federation Inc.

Bunbury Cathedral Grammar School - January 2-7, 2003

Notification and First Call for Papers, Posters and Workshops.

The organising committee invites expressions of interest to present seminars, workshops and posters at the forthcoming conference. The conference provides a unique opportunity for researchers, professionals and amatuers with an interest in caves and karst to interact and share knowledge in a congenial atmosphere. Presentations will be variable and normally of 20-30 minute duration although longer presentations will be accepted subject to negotiation. Absentee presentations can also be accommodated.

Posters are encouraged and will be displayed throughout the duration of the conference. A prize will be awarded for the best poster.

Students and speleological club members are welcome and strongly encouraged to submit presentations.

Closing date for: Abstracts - March 31, 2002 Presentations - October 31, 2002

For further information contact: N. Poulter OAM, PO Box 120 Nedlands 6909 Phone 08 9276 2495 A/h, e-mail: underway@dingoblue.net.au

LETTER OF INTENT

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Other titles/formats, please use a separate sheet of paper.

Send to UNDERWAY Conference, PO Box 1611 East Victoria Park 6981 by December 31, 2001

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