Editorial

Archives and Manuscripts prides itself on discussion of current and topical issues such as Indigenous memory and community recordkeeping. The first article in this journal is by Huebner and Cooper on 'Koorie Culture and Technology'. I am indebted to Monash University for highlighting this as a potential article for A&M. As leaders in the Indigenous archives field, Monash held a recent workshop Pluralising the Archival Paradigm – Archival education and training needs of Indigenous and minority communities and I am hoping to secure an article from this workshop for the next issue of Archives and Manuscripts.

The importance of educators and education in the future of the Australian Society of Archivists should be well known. Indeed, the ASA Council has acknowledged the importance of education by creating an Education Officer role for the ASA. Universities can offer new and sometimes dissident voices, bright ideas, Doctors or Professors of specialist knowledge and even projects of national significance.

As a recently graduated student myself, I was grateful to receive the Margaret Jennings award from the ASA. The award was presented at Monash University to an audience of aspiring archivists and recordkeepers. By encouraging and nurturing the achievements, education and development of young (and young at heart) people, the ASA provides the opportunity for merit, voice, and debate for all archivists and recordkeepers. This may sound obvious or trite, but young, innovative or controversial voices may not always be heard or have the confidence to speak. A referee's response to one article in this issue of Archives and Manuscripts stated: 'I'm not sure I'd agree with everything in the conclusions but I don't think that matters'. Each individual reader can make their own conclusions from presented ideas. To acknowledge difference of opinion and to voice difference of opinion is the success of a journal such as Archives and Manuscripts. To acknowledge other's accomplishments, ideas and theories is fulcrum to the inclusive term 'information management'.

In the spirit of acknowledging others, I would like to draw readers' attention to a new journal entitled *Archives & Social Studies: A Journal of Interdisciplinary Research* available at: http://socialstudies.

cartagena.es>. The City of Cartagena (Spain) has just launched the journal, and the uniqueness of blending social studies and archives as the basis for its articles is a wonderful achievement. The 'co-opetition' or implicit cooperation with our global cousins holds the strength of voice in archival work and theory. May the contents herein contribute to the global discussion of archives educators, educated and interested individuals.

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