REGISTRATION BROCHURE

Register at:

World Congress of Malacology
Perth, Western Australia
11–16 July 2004

Molluscan Megadiversity:
Sea, Land and Freshwater

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UNITAS MALACOLOGICA
Triennial conference of the MALACOLOGICAL SOCIETY
INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR MEDICAL AND APPLIED MALACOLOGY

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15th International Congress of UNITAS MALACOLOGICA OF AUSTRALASIA
THE SCIENCE

Contributed paper sessions

The World Congress of Malacology is an opportunity for malacologists from throughout the world to get together to discuss the animals on which we work. Accordingly, contributed papers and posters on all aspects of malacology are welcome.

Several major symposia are planned:

Phylogeny of Molluscs

The symposium will be major step forward in our understanding of molluscan phylogeny. Invited contributions will focus on either: (1) on a major taxon and be a state of the art overview of the phylogeny of the group, or (2) examine the state of the art in new areas of molluscan research (genomics, evolution/development). Additional papers dealing with aspects of molluscan phylogeny are welcome as part of the symposium. Contacts: Dr Winston Ponder, Australian Museum, Sydney, Australia, winstopp@austmus.gov.au or wponder@bigpond.net.au and Dr David Lindberg, University of California, Berkeley, USA, drl@uclink.Berkeley.edu

Molluscan Aquaculture and Fisheries

Some species of molluscs are important organisms for both wild caught fisheries and for aquaculture. This symposium will bring together researchers working on both wild caught and aquaculture species, both from Australia and overseas, to discuss the latest advances in the field. Selected papers will be published in a leading journal. The symposium is supported by the Fisheries Research and Development Corporation. Contacts: Dr Fred Wells, Western Australian Museum, fred.wells@museum.wa.gov.au Dr Greg Maguire, gmaguire@fish.wa.gov.au and Dr Lindsay Joll, Western Australian Department of Fisheries, Perth, ljoll@fish.wa.gov.au

Ecology of Molluscs

The general theme of the ecology symposium is assessment of threats to molluscan diversity in the changing world. It will include invited speakers addressing issues such as habitat loss and fragmentation, effects of introduced species on indigenous diversity, sea-level rise, urbanization and methods of linking individual and assemblage-level changes in response to environmental change. In addition, we welcome contributed papers in the general ecology symposium. Contacts: Prof Tony Underwood and Dr Gee Chapman, University of Sydney, Australia, gee@bio.usyd.edu.au

Medical and Applied Molluscs

The International Society for Medical and Applied Malacology will be meeting as part of the World Congress. Appropriate papers from ISMAM will be incorporated into the symposium on Molluscan Fisheries and Aquaculture. Other papers, largely dealing with medical aspects and molluscs as pests on land, in the sea and in freshwater, will be organised into separate ISMAM sessions. Contact: Prof Jambari Hadji Ali, University Putri Malaysia, Malaysia Jambari@fsas.upm.edu.my

Bivalves

Bivalve systematics has taken substantial steps in recent years, but the “Tree” and resulting classifications are still far from stable. The symposium will take a journey along major putative branches of the Bivalvia, with each contributor introducing diversity and characters of the group, and discussing hypotheses of relationship as well as resulting classifications. Contacts: Dr Rüdiger Bieler, Field Museum of Natural History, USA, bieler@fieldmuseum.org and Dr Paula M. Mikkelson, American Museum of Natural History, New York, USA, mikkel@amnh.org

Reproduction and developmental patterns in molluscs: an overview

The study of reproduction and developmental patterns in molluscs is now based on thorough studies of reproductive anatomy, physiology and biochemistry of reproduction and intracapsular development, as well as sophisticated studies of the embryonic and larval stages. Results from these studies are widely used both in the applied fields of shellfisheries and parasitology, and in more theoretical areas dealing with evolutionary patterns, phylogeny and biogeography. This symposium will be a broad venue to present results at the forefront of this field, as well as a discussion forum to analyse future directions and methodologies. Contact: Dr Helena Fortunado, Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute, Panama, fortunae@ancon.si.edu

Biology and systematics of opisthobranch molluscs

Opisthobranchs are a small, but structurally diverse group of marine gastropods. Their fascinating biology attracts considerable scientific interest, and the relationships between many of the major groups are poorly known. This symposium will bring together opisthobranch workers to discuss the latest advances in our knowledge of opisthobranch biology and systematics. Contacts: Dr Gillianne Brodie, James Cook University, Australia gillianne.brodie@jcu.edu.au and Dr Àngel Valdés, Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County, USA avaldes@nhm.org
Population genetics in the Mollusca
Population genetics has consistently played a significant role in the development of evolutionary biology as well as evolutionarily based taxonomy, also in the Mollusca. The session will include contributions varying from morphology and allozyme to DNA-based studies, from the level of local subpopulations to groups of closely related species, and focused on mating systems, gene flow, selection, speciation, phylogeography, etc. Contact: Prof Andrzej Falniowski, Jagiellonian University, Poland Faln@zuk.iz.uj.edu.pl

Pattern and process in land mollusc diversity
Twenty years after Alan Solem’s global review, many questions remain to be addressed about patterns of land mollusc diversity. This symposium will examine these issues at all scales from different regions of the globe. It will consider technical and analytic issues, and will assess the evidence for the evolutionary, ecological and historical factors that might contribute to diversity levels. Contacts: Dr. Jeffrey Nekola, University of Wisconsin-Green Bay, USA nekolaj@uwgb.edu, Prof Robert Cameron, University of Sheffield, UK robert@vicshef.freeserve.co.uk and Dr Beata Pokryszko, Museum of Natural History, Poland.

Curators meeting
The traditional curators’ meeting will also be held during the congress if there is sufficient interest. Please indicate on the registration form if you plan to participate. The main topic of discussion will be the problems of offsite stores and moving collections. As the Western Australian Museum is in the middle of such a move, the problems and advantages will be readily seen. A visit to the WAM collections is planned. A modest fee may be required to cover the cost of bus transportation to the new WAM collection site. Contact: Kathie Way, Natural History Museum, London, UK kmw@nhm.ac.uk

Post conference field trip
The Houtman Abrolhos Islands are a series of 122 small low-lying islands located off the west coast of Australia, coast approximately 300 km north of Perth. The environment is dominated by coral reefs, but there are also extensive limestone, sand, and algal habitats. The Abrolhos is situated in a fascinating area where there is a mixture of tropical, temperate and Western Australian endemic species. Nearly 500 species of marine molluscs are known from the islands, and there are no doubt many more to be recorded.
A post conference field trip is planned for the newly opened (May 2003) field station at Rat Island, Easter Group, Abrolhos. The trip will be 5-7 days long, and will include travelling by road to Geraldton, then by boat or air to the Abrolhos. Diving, snorkelling and intertidal reef walking will be undertaken in the islands, some of which have spectacular underwater scenery and large fish. Museum and Fisheries staff will run the camp and boats, and have an intimate knowledge of the Abrolhos. Collecting and export permits will be arranged by the Western Australian Museum. The trip will depart from Perth on Monday, 19 July 2004 and return the following Sunday or Monday.
Spaces are limited to an absolute maximum of 20, but the group will preferably be smaller. If you are interested please e-mail me early to ensure you obtain the information quickly at Fred.wells@museum.wa.gov.au

Post conference symposium:
The world congress will be followed by a post-conference specialist symposium “Biominalization: Contemporary Perspectives” to be held at Murdoch University from 19-21 July. Proposed topics include: Biominalization in Molluscs; Nanoscale biominalers and applications in biotechnology; and Medical aspects of biominalization. For further information contact Prof John Webb (johnwebb@murdoch.edu.au) or Lesley Brooker (lbrooker@murdoch.edu.au).

THE SOCIAL PROGRAM
Participation in the icebreaker, poster cocktail session, and conference dinner are included in full and student registrations. Extra tickets can be purchased for all of these events. Tickets must be purchased for the field trips.
A Welcome Function (or “Icebreaker”) will be held on Sunday night, 11 July from 5:00-7:00 p.m. at the Western Australian Museum, James Street Mall, Perth. Buses will leave for the function from Trinity College at 4:45 p.m. and return at 7:00 p.m. Alternatively, you can remain in Northbridge, where there are plenty of interesting restaurants and take a taxi back to the university when you are ready.
Wednesday will be a mid conference break during which you will have a choice of taking one of the tours listed below or “doing your own thing”. The organised tours are:

**Koalas, Kangaroos & Sharks**
Departs Perth: 1.00pm Returns: 5.30pm. Cost: $60, Children (4-14 years) $ 30. Visit two of Perth’s leading attractions in the one trip. At Caversham Wildlife Park meet Australian favourite wildlife including Kangaroos, Koalas, Wombats, Emus and brightly coloured parrots. Then on to the Aquarium of Western Australia to see marine animals including sharks and seals. Return to Perth via the Sunset Coast and admire the glorious sand and surf of the wide open Indian Ocean beaches.

**Rottnest Island Tour**
Departs Perth: 8.15 am. Returns to Perth: 5.30 pm. Cost: $ 135, children $ 76. Sit back, relax and enjoy a scenic cruise down Perth’s Swan River with views of Perth’s exclusive waterfront suburbs before arriving in Fremantle. Then it’s just a short crossing to Rottnest Island located just 17 kilometres from the mainland. Your friendly hosts take care of everything to ensure that you have a day to remember. Enjoy a 2 hour bus tour and a leisurely lunch then relax or explore the Island during your free time. Your 2 hour bus tour will introduce you to Rottnest’s own unique mammal - the Quokka which is part of the Wallaby family, found only on Rottnest Island and in the South West of Western Australia. Discover the history of the Island from the informative and educational commentary provided including stops at many points of interest such as historical Oliver Hill Lookout and Wadjemup Lighthouse. Tour includes, same day return ferry ticket, morning and afternoon tea on board (ex Perth), one hour Swan River tour and commentary, 2 hour coach tour of the Island, sumptuous buffet lunch at Rottnest Lodge and plenty of free time to explore.
Swan Valley Wine & Chocolate Taste
Departs Perth: 1:00pm Returns: 5:30pm. Cost: $60, Children $30. Enjoy a leisurely tour to the historic Swan Valley, one of the oldest and best known wine growing regions in Australia with a history of producing great wines that dates back to 1829. Taste the wine and sample the chocolate when we visit one of Western Australia’s largest wineries, two smaller family owned wineries and the Margaret River Chocolate Factory.

Dive expedition to Rottnest Island
Cost $120. Departs Perth at 8:00 a.m., returns late afternoon. A bus will take you to the Perth Diving Academy in North Fremantle and return you to Trinity College at the end of the day. Two dives will be made at Rottnest Island, about 45 minutes offshore. If the weather is poor, the dives may be made at Carnac Island or another nearshore locality. The trip must have a minimum of 20 people. The cost includes rental of dive equipment, lunch, transport to and from North Fremantle and the boat. Divers MUST have a recognised international scuba diving qualification and an in date medical.

UNITAS TRAVEL GRANTS
Unitas will provide up to 25 travel grants of up to 800 Euros each (400 Euros for Australian residents) to assist participation in the World Congress. Preference will be given to students and others who do not hold permanent positions and have difficulty obtaining funds to attend the Congress. Applicants must be presenting a lecture or poster, and must also be current members of Unitas Malacologica or of Affiliated Organisations. An application form is included in the conferenceregistration papers. It must be completed and returned to the Secretary, Dr Peter Mordan (pbm@nhm.ac.uk) by 29 February 2004.

STUDENT PRIZES
A small number of prizes for the best verbal and poster presentations by students will be available at the Congress. All student registrants will be considered for the prizes unless they specifically indicate on the registration form that they do not wish to be considered.

REGISTRATION ENTITLEMENTS
Fully registered delegates are entitled to the following at the World Congress: attendance at all sessions, conference satchel, abstract book, welcome reception, evening poster session, conference dinner and morning, afternoon teas and lunches during session days.
Day delegates are entitled to: attendance at all sessions on nominated day/s, conference satchel, abstract book, and morning, afternoon teas and lunches on nominated day/s

ACCOMPANYING PERSONS
There is no specific program for accompanying persons. The registration desk will have details of a number of half and full day trips which can be taken in the Perth area. In addition, accompanying people are welcome to purchase tickets to the icebreaker, evening poster session, field trips, and conference dinner.

RESERVES IN THE PERTH AREA AND EXPORT PERMITS FOR SHELLS
Many areas near Perth are incorporated into marine and terrestrial parks and reserves, including areas which will be visited during the Wednesday field trip, such as Rottnest Island. Kings Park, near the University of Western Australia is also a reserve, as are many areas of the Perth shoreline. Please be aware that collecting in reserves is permitted only with a research permit. Aside from the diving trip, no collecting can be done during the Wednesday field trips.
We will be happy to assist people staying after the conference with obtaining the appropriate permits, and on advising where collecting can be done. Exporting of any plant or animal material of Australian species requires an export permit. The Museum can help with exporting such material to your institution for valid scientific purposes at your expense. Please note that we will have to pack the material and export it for you, as we must provide the Commonwealth government with annual listings of species and numbers of individuals exported.

ORGANISING COMMITTEE
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Dr Anne Brearley, The University of Western Australia
Lesley Brooker, Murdoch University
Dr Gary Kendrick, The University of Western Australia
Dr Winston Ponder, Australian Museum

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Fax: 61-8-9427-2882
REGISTRATION INFORMATION

PAYMENT

- Registration Enrolment Forms must be accompanied by payment of the registration fees and accommodation deposits.
- All amounts are in Australian Dollars. Overseas residents should arrange payment by bank draft payable in Australian Dollars at an Australian bank.
- Registration fees may be paid by Mastercard, Visa and Bankcard, or cheque.
- Delegates will receive a confirmation letter which includes the receipt.
- Speakers are required to send a completed registration form with payment of registration fees to the World Congress Secretariat. Abstracts will not be included in the conference booklet until full payment of registration fees is received.

GOODS & SERVICES TAX

Australian residents only, please note that a Tax Invoice will be issued with the receipt of registration. This must be given to the Accounts Department of your institution for GST records. Unless otherwise requested in writing at the time of sending the registration enrolment form, the Tax Invoice will be in the name of the delegate. Reprints for Tax Invoices will be subject to a $20 administration fee. For international visitors, a tax refund may be sought at the airport for goods which they take with them as hand luggage when leaving the country. A tax refund is not available for goods or services consumed in Australia – and therefore the GST component of conference registration fees, accommodation, tours, etc are not claimable.

CANCELLATION POLICY

1. All cancellations of attendance must be made in writing to the World Congress Secretariat.
2. A full refund, less a cancellation fee of $50 will be made on those received before 30 April 2004.
3. A refund of 50% of the registration fee will be made on cancellations received between 1 May 2004 and 30 June 2004.
4. No refund will be made after 1 July 2004.
5. All refunds will be paid after the conclusion of the World Congress.

ACCOMMODATION

A range of accommodation has been reserved for delegates attending the World Congress of Malacology. The World Congress Organisers have secured attractive rates on the UWA Campus and other hotels and apartments in the City on behalf of registrants.

Hotel rooms in Perth are in short supply and 100% occupancy is not an unusual event. The World Congress Organisers are not able to guarantee accommodation unless bookings are confirmed and the deposit paid by 1 May, 2004.

Please indicate your choice of hotel in order of preference on the Registration Enrolment Form and forward the first room night’s deposit to secure the reservation. Please advise if you are twin sharing with another person.

1. The first room nights deposit is required at the time of booking your room, without this the registration request will not be processed.
2. This deposit will be forwarded to the hotel one month prior and you will be responsible for settling the balance of the account on checkout of the hotel.
3. Accommodation cancellations received after 10 June 2004 may forfeit the first night’s deposit.
4. Refunds will be subject to the cancellation charges levied by the hotel.
5. Accommodation deposits will also be forfeited if the room is not occupied on the requested check in date.
6. Changes of accommodation requirements must be advised in writing to the World Congress secretariat. Do not contact the hotel directly.
RATES BELOW ARE PER NIGHT

Trinity College, UWA

- Student room $44.00 Single, bed and breakfast, shared facilities, fresh towels & tidy midweek
- Senior student room $55.00 Single, bed and breakfast, private facilities, fresh towels & tidy midweek
- Single motel room $80.00 Single, bed and breakfast, private facilities, daily service Mon-Fri
- Double motel room $100.00 Double, bed and breakfast, private facilities, daily service Mon-Fri

230 Hampden Road, Crawley WA 6009
Trinity College is located in one of Perth’s most prestigious suburbs, Crawley. Directly opposite the main campus of The University of Western Australia (UWA), residents at Trinity can enjoy a short stroll through an underpass and be on campus in 30 seconds or exercise and walk along the magnificent Matilda Bay that makes up part of the Swan River. Website: http://www.trinity.uwa.edu.au

Sullivans Hotel Perth

- Standard Room $99.00 Single/Double/Twin
- Deluxe Room $121.00 Single/Double/Twin

166 Mounts Bay Road, Perth WA 6000
Overlooking the City and the Swan River, and adjoining Kings Park and the Botanic Garden, Sullivans is ideally positioned to take advantage of Perth’s outdoor lifestyle. It is a ten-minute walk to the city centre. Sullivans is also within walking distance of the Barrack Street Jetty, the Swan River, and the city lookout at Kings Park.

Mounts Bay Waters Apartment Hotel

- 1 Bedroom Apartment $135.00
- 2 Bedroom Apartment $170.00

112 Mounts Bay Road, Perth WA 6000
Mounts Bay Waters Apartment Hotel provides luxurious, comfortable and spacious accommodation for up to 5 persons for less than the cost of a hotel room. The Hotel is ideally located adjacent to the Swan River and only minutes walk from Perth’s CBD and the shopping and entertainment precincts. The apartments are within close proximity to Kings Park, the Mount Hospital, University of Western Australia, Parliament House and the restaurants of Northbridge.

Parmelia Hilton Hotel

- Standard Room $175.00 Single/Double/Twin

14 Mill Street, Perth WA 6000
The Perth Parmelia Hilton is located in the heart of Perth’s business and shopping district, minutes from the picturesque Swan River and Kings Park. The hotel is a 20 minute drive from the domestic and international airports and just five minutes from the Perth city railway.

DESTINATION PERTH, WESTERN AUSTRALIA

During the nineteen eighties, Perth gained a well-earned reputation as an international meeting place. Its clean air, safe streets, open spaces and enviable lifestyle provide the perfect setting for conventions, events and exhibitions. As the western gateway to Australia, Perth is geographically closer to Asia than any other Australian capital city, and is as close to Singapore as it is to Sydney.

Arriving in Perth
Perth’s international and domestic airports are located 16 km and 11 km, respectively north east of the CBD. Shuttle buses, hire cars and taxis operate between the airports and Perth city, Fremantle and Scarborough. As a general guide, Taxi charges from the international & domestic airports are as follows:
- Perth / Northbridge $28 or $21 respectively
- UWA and colleges $32 or $25 respectively

Tourism in Western Australia
While you are in Western Australia for the World Congress, why not take some extra time to sample some of the many breathtaking and exciting places to visit and things to do in Western Australia? With so many options, it’s hard to know where to start. To make it a little easier, the 2004 World Congress Committee has surfed the ‘Net to locate some of the best websites about WA. So feel free to click on any of the links below!

www.westernaustralia.net A great site with lots of information about where to stay, what to see, together with details of the many different tours available
www.fremantle.wa.gov.au Lots of information about Fremantle’s history, arts and culture, festivals and other local attractions
www.perthweb.net.au Detailed information about Perth’s theatres, restaurants and nightlife
www.whatson.com.au A continually updated site setting out “what’s on” in Perth and Fremantle
www.rottnest.wa.gov.au All you need to know about beautiful Rottnest Island located just 30 minutes ferry ride from Fremantle
www.atn.com.au Click on Western Australia on the map at the first page of this site and then on “South” on the interactive WA map to get detailed information on the South-Western corner of WA
Information on the Kimberley region in the north of the State, including Broome, a popular tourist destination

Lots of information about many of the beautiful country towns in WA and what attractions they have to offer to interstate and international visitors

A detailed listing of accommodation and tours in country WA

A great starting point to find out about Australia and its many attractions (just in case you want to see more)

CLIMATE
Perth enjoys warm to hot, dry summers and mild winters. During July, average temperatures range from 8°-18°C. Please note that it can be rainy and cool during July. Perth winters have been compared to Seattle summers, so be prepared for cool weather and the possibility of rain.

DRESS STANDARDS
For the official Opening Ceremony and during the week of the conference delegates may wear smart, casual clothing.

TIME
Perth is on the same time zone as Singapore and Hong Kong and is two hours behind Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane.

THE VENUE
The World Congress will be on the campus of The University of Western Australia, perhaps the prettiest university campus in Australia. Most of the lectures will be in the Arts Complex.

VISAS
International visitors to Australia require a visa or an electronic travel authority. It is your responsibility to ensure documentation is correct and complete before you commence your journey. Information on obtaining visas or ETA’s can be found on the web site www.immi.gov.au/level2/02_visit.htm

INSURANCE
Registration fees do not include insurance of any kind. It is strongly recommended that all delegates take out their own travel and medical insurance prior to coming to the World Congress. The policy should include loss of fees/deposit through cancellation of your participation in the World Congress, or through cancellation of the World Congress itself, loss of airfares for any reason, medical expenses, loss or damage to personal property, additional expenses and repatriation should travel arrangements have to be altered. Neither the World Congress Secretariat or the Organising Committee will take any responsibility for any participant failing to insure. Please speak to your travel agent or airline in regard to this matter.

DISCLAIMER
The World Congress of Malacology 2004, including the World Congress organisers, will not accept liability for the damages of any nature sustained by participants or their accompanying persons or loss or damage to their personal property as a result of World Congress of Malacology 2004 or related events.

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Or by fax at 61 (8) 9322 1734
A TAX INVOICE will be issued upon receipt of your registration payment and this is to be given to your accounts department. Please keep a copy of this registration form for your GST records.

The “World Congress” ABN is 13435368597

Should you require the Tax Invoice to be sent to a different party, please advise in writing the name of that party at the time of submitting this registration enrolment form. Reprints of the Tax Invoice will be subject to a $20 administration fee. Confirmation of your registration will be sent to you by mail and should be received within 14 days.

REGISTRATION CHECK IN

The Registration Desk at the World Congress will be open as follows:

- Sunday 4-6 p.m. At the Western Australian Museum
- Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 8-9 a.m. and during the lunch breaks

Delegates will be given their satchel and a personalised envelope at registration check in. The satchel will contain the program book and other materials of use during their time at the World Congress. Please wear the World Congress badge to all World Congress events. Separate tickets will be provided for those participating in the field trips.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

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I plan to participate in the Curators’ meeting Yes [    ] No [    ]

PRIVACY ACT

The Privacy Act 2001 provides that, before your name and address details can be published in the list of World Congress delegates for distribution to fellow delegates or any other party, you must give your consent. If you DO NOT wish to have your name, address and details to be included in the list of delegates please tick here [    ]

REGISTRATION FEES

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STUDENT ENROLLMENT CERTIFICATION

Department and Institution enrolled: ____________________________________________________________

Degree enrolled in: ___________________________ Part time ☐ Full time ☐

Supervisor’s certification: I, being the supervisor of ____________________________________________,
certify that the above student is currently enrolled as a student at: (institution, city, country):
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ACCOMMODATION

If we can assist you with a hotel reservation, please indicate in order of preference which hotel and room type you require.

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Smoking [ ] Non-smoking [ ]

I have made arrangements to twin share with.................................................................

A deposit of the first night’s room fee is required to secure the room.

CHECK IN DATE ___ / ___ /2004  CHECK OUT DATE ___ / ___ /2004

TRAVEL

The committee would appreciate your advice whether you will be travelling with this airline.
Please advise your travel details:

Arrive in Perth Date ...................... Time ...................... Airline & Flight ..................................................

Depart from Perth Date ...................... Time ...................... Airline & Flight ..................................................
SOCIAL PROGRAM
The welcome icebreaker and conference dinner are included in the registration fee. For catering purposes, you MUST indicate if you are planning to come.

*Failure to indicate (✔) will be registered as non-attendance*

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SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS
I have the following special requirements (diet/allergies) ..............................................................
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Option A

PLEASE CHARGE MY CREDIT CARD (Please tick appropriate box/s)
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All conference rooms will have standard PowerPoint, photographic slide, and overhead facilities.

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Centres of Biodiversity and Endemism of Shallow Water Marine Molluscs in the Tropical Indo-West Pacific

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The distribution of 1268 species of shallow water marine molluscs in the tropical Indo-West Pacific is examined using published distributional data. Each species is categorised as occurring in one or more of 10 broad geographic regions in the Indo-West Pacific, extending from the Red Sea to Hawaii and the South Pacific Ocean. The greatest diversity (745 species) occurs in the “coral triangle”, the region between the Ryukyu Islands, the east coast of Malaysia and Irian Jaya. Diversity in the Coral Sea, including Papua New Guinea, Queensland and the Loyalty Islands is nearly as great (708 species). Intermediate diversity occurs in the western (532 species) and eastern (524 species) Indian Ocean and the western Pacific Ocean (503 species). The lowest diversity occurs in the region between Lord Howe Island and the Kermadec Islands (66 species). Hawaiian Islands (245 species), South Pacific Ocean (293 species), and the Red Sea-Persian Gulf area (336 species).

A total of 321 species, or one-fourth of the total, are endemic to one of the 10 regions. Similar numbers of endemic species occur in the Red Sea-Persian Gulf (51 species), “coral triangle” (49 species), and eastern Indian Ocean (44 species). The fewest endemic species were found between Lord Howe Island and the Kermadec Islands (4 species), and the central Pacific Ocean (14 species).

Conservation implications of the patterns of molluscan biodiversity and endemicty are discussed.

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS AND POSTERS

Unless you are presenting a plenary paper, oral presentations will be 15 minutes plus 5 minutes for questions. Facilities will be available for slides, overheads and digital projection (i.e. PowerPoint). If you are making a PowerPoint presentation, please bring a CD of the presentation to the Sunday night icebreaker so we can load the presentation onto a computer to ensure it works. Only computers we supply will be used in the sessions. Please indicate on the abstract submission form if you require any special audio-visual equipment.

A special poster session will be held during the conference and posters will be on display for the duration of the conference. Dimensions should be approximately 1 m x 1.5 m. Velcro or drawing pins will be supplied. The following guidelines are offered for preparation of posters:

- A poster is not a research paper, and should be prepared with the reader in mind;
- Information should be mainly visual;
- Consider the message(s) you want to convey;
- Posters should include the title, author(s) names & organisations;
- Methods should be kept to a minimum;
- Objectives and conclusions must be clear;
- Text should be kept to a minimum and 16 point font should be used; and
- Aim for larger and fewer photographs and illustrations.
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The completed application form, supporting letter and summary should be sent to:

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APPLICATION FOR A TRAVEL GRANT FOR THE
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