The Western Australian Museum is investigating the establishment of a training course in maritime archaeology. Full or part-time courses at three possible levels are being considered:

1. One or two year sub-degree (normally called Associate Diploma) course
2. Three year bachelor's degree course
3. Two year post-graduate course

These courses would potentially involve:

(i) a course in maritime archaeology involving the following subjects:

Survey, Exploration, Excavation, Recording Techniques, Recovery, Documentation, Cataloguing and Publication

(ii) An introductory course in history, together with a specialised course in maritime history

(iii) A course in materials science to provide an understanding of the properties and conservation of Maritime Archaeology material

It is intended that the structure of the courses would be flexible enough for the students to pursue all three aspects or to specialise. Students would be able to gain practical experience and would be encouraged to carry out their own projects. The concept of such an educational programme is innovatory, as it is highly practical and also inter-disciplinary. Before further planning can be carried out, it is necessary to estimate the potential interest in, and demand for such courses, for which a questionnaire has been prepared.

All interested persons are requested to write to:

The Director
Western Australian Museum
Francis Street
PERTH WA 6000

for further information and the questionnaire.
Two positions for archaeologists, Class 'SO-1' or ST-1' will shortly be available.

Duties: Under direction to carry out archaeological site protection and preservation duties and to conduct excavations and field surveys. To supervise the conduct of environmental impact studies and to participate in training and public education programmes. Other duties as directed.

Qualifications: An appropriate degree, preferably with a major in prehistory or archaeology; ability to supervise the conduct of archaeological surveys and excavations; and to prepare reports and correspondence. A licence to drive a motor car.

Site-Recorder - one position for approximately 18 months

Duties: Under direction to carry out archaeological site protection and preservation duties and conduct field surveys.

Qualifications: An appropriate degree, preferably with a major in prehistory or archaeology; ability to conduct field surveys, excavations and to write reports and prepare correspondence. A licence to drive a motor car is essential.

Interested applicants should address correspondence to:

The State Archaeologist
Victoria Archaeological Survey
213 Lonsdale Street
MELBOURNE VIC 3000
Dr Harry Allen (Department of Anthropology, University of Auckland, Auckland, New Zealand) will be working in northwestern Arnhem Land on two rockshelters, Ngarradj Warde Djokbeng and Malakunanja II, near Magela creek, a tributary of the east Alligator River, from May 19 (approx.) to August 17, 1977. The aim of this season's fieldwork is detailed excavation of midden deposits and older non-midden sands at the two above sites. Both sites were test excavated in 1972-3 revealing cultural material back to 20,000 y BP and midden material back to 8000 BP. Excavations should test earlier generalisations about the prehistory of the area. The excavations and field surveys should provide training in techniques and survey methods. Up to five volunteers are needed at any one time. Some assistance towards fares can be given depending on funds, mainly for people who can stay the whole time. Fieldwork funds should cover subsistence costs. Basic camping gear is required, but the rest will be provided. A stay of one month would be the minimum. Conditions during the dry season should be pleasant. Self-reliant and experienced personnel preferred but will consider anyone.

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Miss Angela Lister (Old School House, Church Road, North Leigh, near Witney, Oxfordshire, England), who has considerable excavation experience, will be visiting Australia early in 1977 and would like to work as a volunteer on an Australian site.
NOTES FOR CONTRIBUTORS

Manuscripts should be typed, double-spaced, leaving reasonably wide margins. Photographs cannot be reproduced, but I will accept simple line drawings if drawn at final size to fit within A4 format, on bond or other good quality paper. Deadlines for receipt of copy are 1 April and 1 October.

Send all contributions to:

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Contributions covering a wide range of archaeological interests are sought, but some special categories are:

Fieldwork Calendar: This is designed to put researchers about to depart on fieldwork in touch with other members who may be able to render assistance, such as labour on an excavation, or who would simply like to visit a site for the sake of interest. Fieldworkers are asked to send in full details of their project, including location, dates, research aims and an indication as to whether visits to the site by other members are practical.

Employment opportunities: Situations vacant and wanted will be listed if the information is sent in.

Research reports: Summaries of research in various fields by correspondents.

Bibliography: A list of current publications.

Notes and Comments: A section for general discussion and expression of opinion.
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SECTION OF AAA NEWSLETTER

Name: ______________________________ Position: __________________

Address: ______________________________________________________

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Location of fieldwork: __________________________________________

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Dates: from ___________________ to ___________________

Aim of this season's fieldwork: ____________________________________

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Summary of work in earlier seasons: _________________________________

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Do you require voluntary helpers? __________ How many? ________

What assistance can you give to volunteers? _________________________

Transport or fares? _____________________________________________

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Subsistence? ___________________________________________________

Accommodation? ________________________________________________

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Other assistance? _______________________________________________

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Any further information that may be of use _________________________

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