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### PRESIDENTIAL REPORT

**GENERAL MEETING MAY 1979** 

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Although it has become customary for the President to provide a "state of the nation" type address at Annual General Meetings, I do not intend to pursue that approach on this occasion. Technically speaking this is not an A.G.M. As a result of the change in membership years the A.G.M. will fall due on a date which we will decide early in 1980. Welcome then to the first "General Meeting" since the N.Z.I.L.A. was inaugerated in 1973.

After eight months in office I am reluctant to pre-judge the rest of the Institute year so will settle for a more informal comment as befits a Conference such as this.

Since its election last August the Executive Committee has met four times in response to the consistent amount of business generated by members or by the many needs that require executive action and follow through. The question is frequently asked if the amount of work required to keep the Institute rolling is not excessive when compared with the number of members involved? The problem as I see it is not so much a logistics one in terms of numbers but a responsibility of meeting the Institute's aims and objectives effectively. This can only be achieved by maintaining a viable organisation that is awake both to the needs of members and our collective role as an Institute.

The election of three new members to Exec. has brought new blood in terms of district representation, background, age, and attitude, all necessary requirements in seeking a balanced approach to Institute affairs. Members should also know that Exec members living out of Wellington have at this stage opted to forego any financial assistance towards travelling costs. While this is a direct saving on Institute funds the situation must be kept under review to avoid unnecessary hardship on the business and personal generosity of those elected. Although some are prepared to make sacrifices amounting to many hundreds of dollars annually I feel bound to mention that in spite of a 16 month subscription year there is still almost \$1000.00 outstanding in overdue subs.

In 1977-78 considerable effort was made in responding to new legislation where landscape concepts were important. Since the General Election there has not been any legislative activity requiring action by the Institute. Most of the Acts we dealt with over that period are now operable and I urge membership to make themselves familiar with use of the legislative provisions wherever possible. Now that the new Exec has found its feet we have embarked on what I hope will be a programme of internal housekeeping. An example of this are the revised objectives prepared by Frank Boffa and which we will discuss today.

Hopefully the full Constitution will be available by the A.G.M. as will other guidelines for the day to day use of members.

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I would like to express the thought with you that once this period of consolidation is over that the Institute in 1980 embarks on a more outgoing programme. This could involve a topic or topics where we can be seen to contribute to the public good. Having said that I must temper it with a word of caution. Exec has become concerned at the number of projects commenced by individuals, district groups and central Institute itself which have not been completed. With this in mind I feel that we must avoid creating situations where the credibility of the Institute comes under question. In other words we need to undertake such tasks with a more realistic view of the personal and financial implications involved than has been the case to date.

While "Cuttings" has endeavoured to keep you up to date on Executive actions, I believe that we can only function effectively if the membership is responsive to matters that interest or concern them. There have been encouraging examples of this resulting in valuable assistance from members so far this year. There are two dimensions however where I feel there are still gaps in our organisation. These are the students and technicians group where it would be great to have more reaction. Even the nomination of an official spokesperson from you today would provide better organised contact than we have had in the past.

So much for some housekeeping comment. I wish to turn now to one or two other items of interest, not the least of these being our overseas members.

The Institute was very grateful to have received a most comprehensive report from Di Lucas and Boyden Evans, who attended the IFLA Conference in Brazil last year. Not only did they sit in on the Grand Council meeting and provided useful comment but compiled a list of recommendations for consideration of the Institute. Many of these have been actioned and we will continue to do so as opportunities permit. Peter Rough's report on his 'Mobil' tour has been completed and a limited number of copies will be available for circulation at a later date.

As far as IFLA is concerned I have to report that the role of official NZ Delegates is now attached to the Presidential post, and thanks are due to Earl Bennet for carrying it for so long. IFLA has been undergoing a stormy period and recently called for an extraordinary meeting in Brussells to sort matters out. No results are known to date. The Congress in Cambridge U.K. takes place in September and as we were asked for a paper on 'Threats to World Coastlines', I have completed one on New Zealand for presentation. I am hopeful that we will be represented by one of our members at the Congress and IFLA meetings. Į.

It leaves me now to thank Exec and all those who have cotributed to the running of the Institute so far this year. In particular I am sure that you would like me to thank the Conference Committee for the tremendous effort they have put in to make this a most memorable event.

# PROGRAMME NEW ZEALAND INSTITUTE LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS 1978-1982

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NEW ZEALAND INSTITUTE OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS INC.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET for 1979 (as at 30 April 79 and estimated)

2017,04,65,00

ASSETS:-.\$ One year deposit at BNSW at 10 per cent interest 3,000.00 Balance of Current Account (30.4.79) 1,158.00 To Deposit - Sub Janet Ward 25.00 Outstanding Subs 1,004.05 TOTAL \$5,187.05 'Open Space' Conference Account 535.00 LIABILITIES: (estimated for remainder of year) \$ · Grant from Min. of Rec and Sport 500.00 Accounts payable 17.65 IFLA membership fee (for 39 corp. members) 351.00 Printing and Stationery 500.00 250.00 Postage, Typing and Secretarial General expenses; local and International Conferences 500.00 Aduit 200.00 Sub defaulted 100.00 \$2,418.65

> H. Einhorn Hon. Treasurer

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# NZILA Review of Constitution A Progress Report to the 1979 AGM

The Executive Committee have initiated a total review of the Constitution and other Institute documents. Initially it was thought that we might generally edit and simplify the rather wordy and lengthy document, however, on closer examination, we see no real value in greatly changing the basic substance and scope of document. It is probably best to spell out quite clearly what we can and can't do to avoid any difficulties with various interpretations. Members will recall that we had a solicitor Vet the original document prior to its being registered with the Registrar of Incorporated Societies.

Over the past five years or so we have had several Constitutional Amendments and have discussed the merits of retaining some items which by their very nature need to be changed occassionally. Items in this category include membership fees and the address of the Institute. Executive consider that these items would best be contained outside the scope of the constitution so that any changes do not require an amendment to the constitution.

A further objective of the review is to simplify some of the rather wordy sections. Recently the Australian Institute of Landscape Architects had their Constitution and other documents typeset and reproduced in what will no doubt become a standard format for all their published documents. It is our intention to do likewise but better!!

To date the Institutes Objectives have been reviewed and are included for your information and comment. By the end of June it is intended that the membership clauses will have been reviewed and the remainder of the document reviewed by September of this year. For those who have not seen the NZILA Constitution it is currently an 18 page A4 size single spaced document!

Following the general review, the Executive Committee will go through each clause in detail before it is circulated to members for comment. It is planned to have the final document and suggested layout for membership approval at or prior to the 1980 AGM.

Unfortunately I am unable to attend this years AGM and Conference. If any member has any comments to make regarding the matters raised, please feel free to contact me direct.

# Frank Boffa

For the Executive Committee.

### NEW ZEALAND INSTITUTE OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS INC.

# Proposed Objects

- (a) To promote the profession of Landscape Architecture.
- (b) To raise the character and status and to safeguard and advance the interests of the profession of Landscape Architecture.
- (c) To support the study of Landscape Architecture and the related arts and sciences.
- (d) To promote and encourage the development and management of rural and urban areas on sound principles of Landscape Architecture.
- (e) To bring matters affecting Landscape Architecture to the notice of government, other authorities and organisations in all parts of New Zealand and elsewhere.
- (f) To increase the confidence of the community in the employment of professional Landscape Architects.
- (g) To improve the general and technical knowledge of persons engaged in the profession of Landscape Architecture.
- (h) To co-operate with other institutions or associations or other bodies that have objects similar to those of this Institute.
- (i) To afford a means of adjusting professional differences and to decide all questions of ethics usage or courtesy in connection with the profession.
- (j) To promote good relationships and friendliness among the members of the Institute.
- (k) To offer provide sponsor or contribute towards any lecture scholarship prize or other award for any research study litary contribution or other effort in connection with any object of the Institute.

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# 1. NAME

The name of the Society (hereinafter called "the Institute") is <u>NEW ZEALAND INSTITUTE OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS INCORPORATED</u>.

# 2: OBJECTS

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The objects of the Institute are: ...

- (a) To promote the profession of landscape architecture and to raise the character and status and advance and safeguard the interests of the profession of landscape architecture and of those engaged therein.
  - (b) To advance the study of landscape architecture and the related arts and sciences.
  - (c) To promote and encourage the development of urban and rural areas on sound principles of landscape architecture and design.
  - (d) To bring matters affecting landscape architecture to the notice of government municipal and other authorities public bodies and associations and the officials thereof in all parts of New Zealand and elsewhere.
  - (e) To increase the confidence of the community in the employment of recognised landscape architects by admitting to the Institute as corporate members only such persons who have an adequate knowledge of both the theory and practice of landscape architecture.
  - (f) To improve the general and technical knowledge of persons engaged in or intending to engage in the profession of landscape architecture.
  - (g) To co-operate with other institutions or associations or other bodies that have objects altogether or in part similar to those of this Institute.
  - (h) To afford means of adjusting professional differences and to decide all questions of ethics usage or courtesy in connection with the profession.
  - (i) To promote good feeling and friendly intercourse among the members.
  - (j) To declare what in the opinion of the Institute are reasonable fees to be charged by landscape architects for their services.

(k) To offer provide sponsor or contribute towards any lecture scholarship prize or other award for any research study literary contribution or other effort in connection with any object of the Institute.

### 3. Powers

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The Institute shall have the power to do all things that may be incidental or conducive to the attainment of the objects of the Institute and in particular to -

(1)

Purchase, take on lease, acquire and receive any real and personal property and sell, transfer, demise and otherwise deal with any real or personal property of the Institute;

(2) raise and borrow money and secure the repayment of money raised or borrowed, or the payment of any debt or liability of the Institute by any lawful means, including mortgage charge or debenture upon or over all or any of the real or personal property of the Institute;

(3) lend or invest any moneys of the Institute upon such terms and in such manner as it thinks fit;

(4) undertake and execute any trusts within the objects of the Institute and accept any gift, endownment, or for the purpose of any specific charitable objects of the Institute and to carry out any such trust attached to any gift;

- (5) draw, make accept, endorse, discount, execute and issue promissory notes, bills of exchange, warrants and other negotiable instruments;
- (6) appoint, employ, remove or suspend clerks, servants and persons whose service may be deemed necessary or desirable for the purpose of the operations of the Institute;

(7) generally to do all such acts, matters and things and to enter into and make such agreements as are incidental or conductive to the attainment of any of the objects of the Institute;

(8) appoint a patron of the Institute.

### 4. Property

The income and property of the Institute shall be applied soley to promoting and carrying out the objects of the Institute. The Institute shall not carry on any trade or business or engage in any transaction with a view to the pecuniary gain or profit of the members thereof. No part of the income or property of the Institute shall be paid or transferred by way of dividend or bonus or otherwise howsoever, by way of profit to the members of the Institute.

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REPORT ON "THE LANDSCAPE", FOR N.Z.I.L.A. A.G.M. MAY 1979

- 1. Only two issues of "The Landscape" have been produced in the last year.
- To spread the load of production effort, to ensure a more regular issue, the Journal sub-committee has recently been widened and strengthened.
  The present constitution consists of:

The present constitution consists of:

Supervising Editor	S. Challenger
Executive Member	A.E. Jackman
Business Manager	E.H. Bennett
Assistant Editors	S. O'Mahoney
	C. Anstey
Production Assistant	J.H. Maling (nee Woodhouse)

This Sub-committee has met on three occasions in the last six weeks and the following actions have been initiated:

Issue No. 7 has been typeset, proof read and paged. Awaits type corrections and additional illustration before being sent to printer next week. Issue No. 8 copy is due from all contributors by May 15 (Open Space). This issue will be 28 pages, compared with the normal 20. Issue No. 9 issue has been planned, initial contacts with contributors made, copy required by June 15 (Landscape Management).

It is planned to issue Nos. 7 - 10 this current year.

- 3. Issues Nos. 5 & 6 were set up by the Canterbury Group. It is proposed to involve students in the setting up and despatch of all future issues. The net result of this action together with the initiation of the extended committee is to introduce others into the production technique of the Journal and so give a broader base of experience on which to call.
- 4. The Business Manager draws attention to the financial state of the Journal, which has ever been tight due to the constant escallation in production costs. The Journal is a viable concern providing we obtain grants from the Institute to cover the actual production costs of the issues distributed to members, and as long as it stays at Lincoln College, which absorbs considerable typing, photographic and general production costs.

# "THE LANDSCAPE" FINANCIAL STATEMENT, AS OF 6 MAY 1979

Including Funds from N.Z.I.L.A. Agreed in principle but not yet received.

## Credits

B.N.S.W. 20/4/79 Subsequent Deposits Subscriptions Received 1 Year's additional grant, for Issues 5 - 8 at \$100	767. 66 190. 50 15. 00	
"Open Space" Grant, to be credited for #8	500.00	1573.16
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Account payable for Issue 7 Quickset	330.00	н н н
Value of Issues 7, through 14 Paid in Advance	1126. 12	1456.12
Balance		\$117.04

### SUBSCRIPTION STATUS AS OF 6 MAY 1979

Expiry Issue	Expiry Number	Total Remaining
7	14	233
8	118	219
9	70	101
10	25	31
11	0	6
12	4	6
13	1	2
14	1	1

# Present Subscription List - 233

Recent renewals - third notices sent to those who expired in 5 and 6, total 90, have received 24 renewals as a result of this notice, about 27%, to date.

Obvious that Issue 8 is an important one for renewals, with Issue 9 almost as important as 8.

# CURRENT MEMBERSHIP - N.Z.I.L.A. - MAILING IS 96 COPIES.

NOTES ON FINANCIAL CONDITION - 6 MAY, 1979

- Each issue costs about \$700 to produce and mail, with the current mailing of 338, (96 + 233 + 9 miscellaneous and exchange), the cost of each copy is \$2.07.
- 2. The fact that the N.Z.I.L.A. must increase its annual grant is obvious - to at least the \$7.50/year paid by subscribers, @ 96 members amounts to \$720 (compared with the \$500 currently paid towards the \$600 agreed for issues 5 - 8).

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Some costs of each issue are offset by advertising	- but
currently small, i.e. Issue 6 G.B.D. Prints	36.00
General Signs	28.00
Morgan & Pollard	36.00

\$100.00

. @ \$600/issue, each copy price \$1.77, if that level of advertising maintained.

- 4. Because issues 8 & 9 are important for <u>potential</u> renewals (or cancellations), would <u>strongly</u> oppose any subscription increase until after 9, and depend on help from N.Z.I.L.A., increased circulation, and additional advertising to carry us through until then - actually just enough to produce issue 8.
- 5. A projected "Annual" Budget (4 Issues), at current rates of subscription, typesetting and printing:

4 Issues at \$700 + 10% contingency	\$2800. 00 280. 00
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Advertising N.Z.I.L.A. Grant 100 members @ \$7.50 257 Subscribers (currently 233) @ \$7.50	\$400.00
	\$750. 00
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	\$3080.00

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We haven't funds for an extensive advertising campaign for new subscribers - are already overcommitted in subscriptions owed - sailing "close to the wind" now!

Signed

S. Challenger E.H. Bennett on behalf of the Journal Sub-Committee.

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EDUCATION SUB COMMITTEE REPORT TO ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MAY 12, 1979.

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The Temporary Examination System for Certificate in Landscape Design candidates is now entering its second to last year having been framed on a four year basis from 1977 to 1980 inclusive.

After two initiating years and the attendant trials and tribulations of setting the system into action I can now say that the system is proving valid, one candidate having passed all requirements - with 6 others at various stages on the way. Successful candidates within Public Service are advised that the State Services Commission is now aware of the examination system, and full documentation seeking salary recognition, was sent on 5 March, 1979; no reply having been received to date.

As Examination Committee Chairman and Co-ordinator I can only again thank all those persons acting as voluntary examiners in papers and Orals alike. The real value of their contribution in time and material costs is difficult to ascertain, but the assembly should be aware that accredited costs just in registered mailing, jet-xing, photocopying, typing, papers and texts for the last 18 months, is in the order of \$350-00. The examination system therefore consumed approximately 5 % of our total fee income for the period, and this as intimated is by no means a reflection of the total costs, frequently absorbed in department infrastructures. The true costs if revealed I venture to suggest would be, if costed at current hourly rates, be in the order of \$5,000 per annum. A quite unreal venture for any Institute of our numeric and fee strengths, unless disbursed in the manner it currently is. Critics of the system should recognise the frailty of it.

c. To further assist with allaying costs I again advise that full or the three paper sets of previous years papers (1977 & 1978) are available at \$5.00 per set per annum, per me. They are available to all, not just pending candidates, and many associates might find some interest (probably more shock!) at the levels requested by many examiners. (Refresher courses are not, however, priorities on the Education Sub Committees agenda).

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Candidates for December 1979 are again requested to itemise their proposed subjects in a memoranda to me by 1st July 1979.

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A Reading List for Climatology is now available and is repeated here for general interest.

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- 1. Atmosphere, Weather, and Climate Barry and Chorley.
- 2. The Value of the Weather. W.J. Mounder.

3. The Climate of N.Z.

B.J. Garnier.

4. Applied Climatology.

John F. Griffiths.

f. Exam 1978 Results are repeated, although published in an earlier "Cuttings."

G. Brakey:

Passes in Planting Design, Basic Design, Landscape Design, Landscape Engineering, Contracts and Specifications and Biological Land Uses.

- B. Brown:
  - Passes in Construction, Climatology, Soils, Ecology, Planting Design, Landscape Design, Landscape Engineering, Contracts and Specifications, Land Use, Sociology, Biological Land Uses, Exploitive Land Uses and the Oral Associateship granted.
- P. Sergel: Passes in Construction, Planting Design, Basic Design, Landscape Design, Landscape Engineering, Contracts and Specifications, Land Use, Sociology, Biological and Exploitive Land Uses.
- J. Woodhouse: Passes in Construction, Climatology, Soils, Ecology and Planting Design.
- Passes in Ecology and Planting Design. J. Marsh:

### Associate Candidates a.

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The present levels of Associateship status have been debated in Workshop Session. Any directive to Executive and the Sub Committee from those sessions to be actioned.

Successful Associateship candidates last December (1978) were:

Anna Clayton Alex Wilson Dennis Scott Christine Thomas

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Candidates pending are again asked to let me know in memoranda their intentions by 1st July 1979. Quite frankly-I am at a stage where I no longer feel obliged to canvass around for potential candidates in the last few weeks prior to assessment. The obligation now rests with the individuals concerned and please make your intentions known early.

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Chairman Education Sub Committee A.E. Jackman, A.N.Z.I.L.A.

Date: May 12., 1979.

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CANTERBURY LANDSCAPE GROUP.

REPORT TO A.G.M. OF N.Z.I.L.A. (Inc.) MAY 12th, 1979.

Autonomy of the Landscape Group system from The N.Z.I.L.A. primarily set out in 1977 to broaden group membership and contact between anyone interested in landscape aims in a general sense within districts. This to my mind, it has failed to do.

For example, the Canterbury Landscape Group is more imagery than real and few persons commit themselves to the original ideal. Loose structuring is all very well but real effectiveness at the political and publicity fronts is lacking. Many Institute members are committed to landscape tasks associated with their day to day work and therefore enthusiasm for continuing into the night and committing continuous voluntary time is as always, lukewarm.

The ideal which suggested that the Group would be a collective for such unresolved "problems" as where to place Diploma in Landscape Technologists, just has not worked. In my view the failure of the Group system further demonstrates an abrogation by the Institute of a responsibility to the Diploma in Landscape Technologist at large, for little contact with them is ever made, and they are in the main cast aside, almost in the pretence that they do not or should not exist! This response may have been right, relative to the priorities of the Institute in 1976-1977, but to my mind it is no longer valid, and I urge that in the immediate time ahead, that both the Group system and the Technologist dilemma be resolved in sympathy and simultaneously.

The umbrella system of grouped unions of all landscape interests was premature in 1976, and relative to the present, it is just as premature, simplistic and/or idealistic!

One answer, as it was always, is to revert to the structured bonded Institute Group and give the interested Landscape Technologist a membership place. The collective landscape fraternity might have greater surety of occurring. We are altogether too small and too young professionally to pretend success for the other.

This would to my mind be preferable to the present flotsal dispersion patterns of the Dip.L.Tech. Some Dip.L.T's have the potential to progress over time to the highest level - and why shouldn't they?

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In terms of other interested landscape parties within the Group again it just has not happened. For the contractors it is a case of once bitten, twice shy. Although always invited to join or intend, seldom if ever do they show. They are by comparison showing with the National Contractors Association a commendable display of strength, which the Institute should further encourage, because most members have the maturity of experience to survive c.f. the Dip.L.T.

But of the Canterbury Landscape Group:

Activities since August 1978 A.G.M.

- December, January: Representation (2) on the Downtown Task Force Professional Committee of the Christchurch City Council - again displaying pubescent, verbal inadequacies c.f. planners and architects!
- (2) Combined Educational Extraction Evening; starring Tim Heath and Hugh Lusk; on trip to China.
- (3) November : All day Wassell and effects in the shades of historical Bangor; personally still recovering.
- (4) February : Ian McHarg; costing \$50.00 to acknowledge that the South Island was there, for a quarter of an hour.

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# RØBERT D. BOOCOCK

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> P.O. Box 5302, Moray Place Telephone:08-028 Phone 773-628

1st.May 1979

The Secretary, N.Z.I.L.A. Inc, P.O.Box 10-022, The Terrace, Wellington.

Dear Neil,

Unfortunately I am unable to be present at the coming Conference at Rotoiti, but wish you all success and hope that the weather is kind to you.

Meanwhile, the following is a brief report of the local activities - or lack of them - since last August.

### OTAGO / SOUTHLAND GROUP REPORT

The past year has seen little activity in the district by way of meetings or visitors, as usual due mainly to the small number of members and their widely separated bases. However we did manage a gathering to welcome Sarah de Lambert to Dunedin; various aspects of work, the profession and the landscape were discussed, and a pleasant couple of hours spent.

A further infusion with the appointment of Dave Clutterbuck, and Di Lucas back in home territory, should mean that we can now make positive steps to arrange meetings on a reasonably regular basis. An invitation is extended, nay requested, to members visiting Dunedin to make contact with us, and I'm sure we can fix up a get-together to discuss topics of mutual interest, even at short notice.

Bob Boocock.

\*\*\* Please note new Business Telephone No. above for the Institute records.

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