

From the Editors

Congratulations must go to Misty Adoniou on her election as president of the Australian Council of TESOL Associations. Her enthusiasm and experience with TESOL internationally make this an excellent choice. We are also delighted to have our own web site designed by Lesley Cioccarelli who will also maintain it for us. She has written a short article introducing it to you and we encourage all of you to read it and then visit the site, find out what is happening locally and nationally and follow the links.

The articles in this journal include reports from some of the workshops our branch has provided as well as reports on conferences attended. Unfortunately we received only one report on the spending of grant money. Perhaps other reports are being saved up for next journal. Teaching overseas is always a popular topic and in addition to reading about such experiences you can also find information about organisations that want volunteers.

I was very taken with Mary Krix's article in the AEU magazine and she very kindly agreed to write another article for us, concentrating especially on pedagogy. Her photos really complement the article.

The ATESOL committee really appreciates the local lecturers and teachers who have presented workshops for our members. The editors really appreciate it when they also write them up for the journal. Many thanks to Mary Macken-Horarik and Di Kosev. Julia Carter and Judith Mee reported on the AMEP and ATESOL conferences. More information about forthcoming conferences all around the world can be found at:

www.nceltr.mq.edu.au/resources/conference.asp

Frances Merity looks at the importance of revision of vocabulary for second language learners. She supports Pimsleur's memory schedule to move learning from short-term memory to long term memory: "repetitions of no longer than a few minutes *one hour, one day, one week and then one month after first learning a word*"

For those who missed out on doing the quiz at the ATESOL dinner last year, we have included the quiz and answers. Thank you Julia, Jenny and Jill.

As an experiment we made the last journal available on CD. to make it easier for readers to follow up links to the Internet. This journal has fewer links but will still be available on CD from committee members.

Apart from Mary Krix's delightful photos the editors are responsible for all illustrations.

Please read the *Guidelines for writing an article* at the back of the journal and start thinking about articles for the next journal. Please e-mail us if you have any feedback, know of any future conferences, have articles to submit or if you would like to help in the production of the next journal. We are also happy to provide books for review.

We would like to thank all contributors and to acknowledge the hard work done by the ATESOL committee to distribute the journal.

Alex Dodgson, Bronwyn Rose and Jill Schaefer

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