

December 2006/January 2007

**A busy month for OzCon**

**At the performance of the Australian Dance Theatre**



*From Left to Right – Ambassador Peter Shannon, Suzanne Prissmann, Jenny Hanna and her children Ben and Emily, Rosalie Toomey.*

**The UNWG Bazaar**



*Volunteers Lisa Kirchebner, Diana Boal, Coordinator Susanna Martin, Rebecca Anderson.*

**The OzCon Christmas Dinner at the Hotel Imperial**



*Ambassador Peter Shannon, Liz Crawford, Geog Rappold, and Wolfgang Mitterecker enjoying the evening.*



*Brett Bayly, Ambassador Peter Shannon, Susanna Martin and Peter King ready for the onslaught.*

**The Monthly OzCon Lunch**



*Robert Clark, Susanna Martin, Diana Boal, Leon Schupelius, Gabrielle Costigan, Alison Ritchie and Liz Crawford*



*Our departing Newsletter Editor Rosalie Toomey. Thanks Rosalie!*

## From the President

Merry Christmas and happy holidays everyone.

What a month? In fact, what a year?



Since our last newsletter some of us have been to a fabulous performance by the Australian Dance Theatre and the Australian play “Daylight Saving”, slid over a huge wine barrel in the cellar of the Klosterneuburg Monastery, had our monthly get-together at Café Museum, put on a most successful stand at the UNWG Bazaar at the Austria Centre and experienced a grand OzCon dinner at the Imperial Hotel.

The bazaar on Saturday 2 December was one of the most successful so far for OzCon, thanks to many and due to an expanded range of goods on offer. We handed in €3900 to the Women’s Guild. Expenses have to be deducted from that, but they will not be many this year because most things were donated, including the wine for the first time. And for that I express sincere thanks to our sponsors Moët Hennessy Österreich.

I would like to thank all our volunteers who helped make it such a great event and while I will try and not miss anyone, please accept my apologies if I do. The happy team included Lisa Kirchebner, Michelle Kay and Jenny Hanna from the Australian Embassy, Robert Clark, Leon Schupelius, Gabrielle Costigan, Rosalie Toomey, Jeanette Hannaford, husband Simon and children Henry and Portia, Paul Martin, Rebecca Anderson, Diana Boal and children Hugh and Jani, Eleonore Wildburger, Donna Monds and daughter Natalie, Randi Valderhaug and children Monique, Simone and Thomas, Margaret Dey and son Avijit, Peter King and Christa Knellwolf, and Sherrill France.

You might have noticed I left out Susanna Martin, our OzCon bazaar coordinator. That’s because she deserves a ‘stand alone’ mention for organising the whole thing for her first time. Those of us who were still there doing the clean-up at the end of the day gave Susanna a hearty round of applause. She deserves it from all of us. Thanks Susanna. I feel very confident for next year!

And thanks also to Ambassador Peter Shannon and the Australian Embassy for their valuable assistance which included no fewer than 200 pavlovas (thanks to the Australian Residence Chef Hedi El-Agrebi), the coffee machines, the coffee, posters and flags.

The next thing I want to mention is that we are losing one of our long-standing and hard-working board members. Rosalie Toomey is giving up the position of Newsletter Editor after filling the role for more than a year. Rosalie is now in a full-time teaching job, has a young family and is studying for her Masters. So it’s not surprising that she has little time for other things.

But all is not lost and we have found a new Editor in Liz Crawford, a new member and lamington-maker extraordinaire (see separate item on page 3). Rosalie and Liz produced this newsletter and Liz will take over the role in 2007. On behalf of all our board and members, I want to thank Rosalie for a job well done.

Our membership has risen over the year, not as a flood but more like a steady trickle, which is good to see. Your Board had considered raising the annual subscription to €25 per family due to rising costs which have limited our ability to use the funds in various ways. But you will be pleased to hear that we have opted to stay with the €20 and once again ask our members to receive the newsletter in living colour by email rather than in black and white by post. Notices for the 2007 subscription are going out with this newsletter, for payment details please see last page, we would appreciate your prompt responses. If you do have to leave us, please let us know so that our records are kept up to date.

We do hope more people can participate in our organised functions in the new year. It was a little disappointing not to see more members on the bus to the Australian Dance Theatre at St Pölten or at the Fasslrutchn at Klosterneuburg. Perhaps others went individually and we did not meet them. And so again I urge you to let the board know what you would like to do.

And so that’s it for 2006. On the morning after the Ambassador’s reception, I and my partner and two children it will be off to Australia for Christmas and New Year, first in the Snowy Mountains, then at the beach and then Christmas in Melbourne. Whatever you are doing, have a great Christmas.

Finally, a thought for 2007:

As you slide down the banister of life, may the splinters never point the wrong way.

Best wishes,  
Brett

## Lamington Queen is OzCon's new Newsletter Editor



I have been living in Austria since March 2006 and although I have not been here for very long I am no stranger to this beautiful country. My husband, Wolfgang is an Austrian. Prior to living here we were based in Tunisia for three years, and before Tunisia we were in glorious Perth for four and a half years.

I'm originally from Melbourne and grew up on a farm in a place called Werribee. In 1990 I left Australia to travel the world and didn't make it back to Australia to live until the end of 1998.

Professionally I worked as a sales and marketing executive associated with the oil industry based in Geneva and covering Germany, Austria, Eastern Europe, Greece and Turkey. When I went back to Australia I initially remained in sales and marketing within the oil industry, but soon moved into human resources, also in the oil industry. My working days came to an end when we moved to Tunisia and at first I was concerned and worried about not working. But it's quite amazing when you stop working and look back on your working life, you wonder just how you managed to fit everything in?

These days I'm a "Hausfrau" with two dogs, three cats, three step daughters, a large house and garden and a husband who travels a lot! I attend German classes twice weekly. Friends often ask me "don't you get bored?" Sometimes I wish I had time to get bored!

It was at an OzCon lunch in October that I volunteered to make lamingtons for the Australian Stand at the UN Charity Bazaar on 2 December. I said that I would try to make 200. Well I'm rather chuffed with myself as I actually managed to make 300! Making Lamingtons is a labour of love for me and Wolfgang has now affectionately nicknamed me Lamington Queen!

When Brett asked me if I wanted to take over the position of Editor for the newsletter I was happy to oblige. I am looking forward to getting more involved within OzCon and meeting fellow Aussies, families and friends. I would like to ask all of you to feel free to contact me if you have any suggestions relating to the newsletter or any desire to eat yummy lamingtons.

My contact details: Liz Crawford

Mobile: 0699 1268 1023/Home: 02252 252 638

Email: [Lizziecrawf@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:Lizziecrawf@yahoo.co.uk)

## Sliding the barrel at Klosterneuburg



Michael Frank about to take the slide watched by sister Rebecca.

It was a mixture of the old and the new at Klosterneuburg.

The old was taking part in a 302-year-old tradition of sliding down a huge wine barrel in the cellars of the Klosterneuburg Monastery cellars. The new was riding the rides at the carnival just outside the monastery walls.

Some members of OzCon took part in the fun at the monastery and the carnival on Saturday 18 November. The festival marks the Feast Day of Saint Leopold, the patron saint of Vienna and Lower Austria and dates back to 1704.

The 'Fasslrutschn' is a bit of fun which is supposed to bring you good luck. A brief climb of the stairs to the top of the 56,000 litre wooden barrel is followed by an even briefer slide down the other side. The children were allowed to repeat their performance, presumably in case they forgot to make their wish, or, with Christmas fast approaching, wanted two wishes.

From some of the writings and drawings which explained the festival's origins, it was not difficult to imagine that in those days the sliders were well primed with the contents of the barrel before they took the plunge!

– Brett Bayly

### OzCon Monthly Lunch

GET TOGETHER FOR LUNCH!

**Friday 19 January 2007**

The Café Museum, Friedrichstr 6,  
corner Operngasse and Friedrichsstrasse **from 12.00**



## Recent Events

### OzCon at the Theatre Exciting dance combined with photography

It was exciting dance combined with instantaneous photography. And the highly-acclaimed Australian Dance Theatre was appreciated by the crowd which filled the Festpielhaus at St Pölten on 11 November.

The performance was **HELD**, a dance about photography where a photographer joins the dancers on the stage and captures for the audience in stunning detail what the eye misses. **HELD** created a sensation in its premiere season in Australia and won three Helpmann and three Australian Dance Awards.

As the company's own publicity says, "Embodying the dynamic tension between the action of Garry Stewart's ballistic choreography and its 'fixed' capture by photographer Lois Greenfield, **HELD** juxtaposes solidity with liquidity, heaviness with lightness, stillness with flow, clarity with illusion into an extraordinary live performance. Using electronic strobes to photograph the dramatic explosions and propulsion which are Garry Stewart's signature kamikaze style, Lois will create the illusion of weightlessness by freezing these dynamic moments at 1/2000 of a second, projected instantaneously, revealing to the audience a moment that exists beneath the threshold of perception."

The Adelaide-based Australian Dance Theatre was founded in 1965 by Elizabeth Cameron Dalman to 'open the horizons for provocative contemporary and cutting edge dance'. The company went through its own provocative traumas over the years, folding, then regrouping and changing its name until 1999 when Garry Stewart was appointed to the position of artistic director and the company assumed its original name, Australian Dance Theatre.

A small band of OzCon members traveled to the performance by bus from Vienna, sharing a bottle of Aussie red wine, cheese and biscuits on the way. They were able to chat at the theatre with the Australian Ambassador, Peter Shannon, who was a guest of honour at the performance.

If you would like to catch up with the company in this part of the world, it will tour **HELD** throughout the United Kingdom in February and March 2007. Have a look at its website: [www.adt.org.au](http://www.adt.org.au) – Brett Bayly

### The UNWG Bazaar

On Saturday 2 December 2006 the 38<sup>th</sup> International Bazaar of the United Nations Women's Guild took place at the Austria Centre.

As in previous years an Australian stall participated. In addition to the traditional range of pavlovas, beer and wine this year new items were on sale: lamingtons, cheese platters and tea and coffee.

Pavlovas and wine appealed most to the taste buds of the visitors, followed by lamingtons (thank you Liz). The stall would not have been such a success without the generous pavlova donations from Pamela Meisel, Anna Ganovsky, J Punzengruber, Alison Ritchie, Donna Monds, Sherrill France, Gaynor Shaw, Randy Valderhaug, Diana Boal, Jeanette Hannaford and Rosalie Toomey. A special thank you to Anna Ganovsky who managed to make 35 small pavlovas even though her three year old daughter was sick and had to spend time in hospital.

The biggest donations came from Moët and Hennessey for the wine and the embassy. Thanks to the great team spirit and optimism of the team, everything worked perfectly on the day and made it a big success.

A loud hurrah to all volunteers who generously donated their time and made everything work smoothly and professionally. I especially want to mention the young members of the team all of whom showed enormous talents as sales professional and gourmet chefs.

*-Susanna Martin*

### Christmas Gala Dinner at Hotel Imperial

The OzCon annual Christmas Gala Dinner was held at the Hotel Imperial on 6 December.

The evening started off with a lovely glass of Imperial Champagne where we retreated into the small lounge areas near the bar. Once all of the guests arrived -- including Australian Ambassador Peter Shannon -- we were shown into the Kaiser room. Dinner was served in the most polite Austrian style of soup, duck and fish. The drinks continued to flow and in no time all had enjoyed a good meal and each others company. By desert we were playing musical chairs and the mingling amongst the rest of the guests was ensured.

Overall the evening was enjoyed by all and we hope to see you at the next Gala Dinner in 2007.

*-Gabrielle Costigan*

## Aussie News in Brief

*Compiled by Brett Bayly*

5 Dec. - **FIJI'S embattled prime minister** appealed to Australia for military help to stave off a military coup but Australia refused, Prime Minister John Howard said today. "This morning the prime minister of Fiji rang me and asked for Australian military intervention in response to the coup - I indicated to him that that would not be possible," Mr Howard told reporters today, condemning the military action. (Australian)

5 Dec. - **AUSTRALIA today won a get-out-of-jail Ashes Test** by six wickets at the Adelaide Oval today. Australia needed 168 runs to win the second Ashes Test and take a 2-0 series lead over England after bowling the tourists out for 129. Shane Warne turned a match apparently destined for a draw at the start of the final day on its head by claiming 4-49 with a mesmeric display of spin bowling after a forgettable first innings. (Advertiser)

4 Dec. - **NEWLY elected Labor leader Kevin Rudd** has promised a new style of leadership focused on fairness in the workplace and equality of access to education and health. And Mr Rudd has also paid tribute to vanquished leader Kim Beazley, describing him as a good man who had given much to the nation and the labour movement. Mr Rudd and new deputy Julia Gillard faced the media early this afternoon after he beat Mr Beazley 49-39 in this morning's ballot. (Australian)

4 Dec. - **POLITICIANS have paid tribute** to former Labor leader Kim Beazley, who learnt of his brother's death today soon after he was defeated as party leader. An emotional Mr Beazley, whose younger brother David, 53, died today, said after losing the vote that family was "everything". It is understood Mr Beazley learned of his brother's death after Kevin Rudd defeated him as ALP leader by 49 votes to 39 in a party room ballot. (Age)

30 Nov. - **ALEXANDER Downer** has no regrets about his handling of the AWB scandal, despite criticism by the Cole commission that his department has no system to detect corruption. The Foreign Minister told The Australian yesterday the Government had been "duped" by AWB over the \$290 million in kickbacks it paid to the regime of former Iraqi dictator Saddam Hussein under the UN oil-for-food program. But he saw no need for a review of administrative practices in the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, despite commissioner Terence Cole criticising its inability to draw together strands of information warning of the kickbacks into a central source. Mr Downer's comments came as former diplomats, public servants and governance experts attacked the Howard Government's reluctance to accept responsibility for the scandal. (Australian)

28 Nov. - **THE Queensland Government** is preparing for a stand-up brawl with Canberra over attempts to impose history as a compulsory subject for high school students. Queensland Education Minister Rod Welford will defy federal Education Minister Julie Bishop and refuse to mandate history as a compulsory, stand-alone subject for Years 9 and 10. (Courier Mail)

28 Nov. - **ELEVEN former executives of wheat exporter AWB** could face criminal charges and jail terms of up to 10 years after the Cole inquiry found they had engaged in an elaborate deception that illegally funnelled \$290 million to Saddam Hussein's regime and cast a shadow over Australia's international reputation. A 2065-page report by Commissioner Terence Cole, tabled in federal parliament yesterday, named former AWB chairman Trevor Flugge and former executives Mark Emons, Peter Geary, Dominic Hogan, Paul Ingleby, Michael Long, Nigel Officer, Murray Rogers, Charles Stott, Michael Watson and Jim Cooper as being involved in the kickbacks scheme, in which illicit payments were disguised as trucking fees to Jordanian company Alia. But Mr Cole found that evidence presented to his inquiry did not implicate John Howard, his senior ministers or any government official. (Australian)

26 Nov. - **RE-ELECTED Victorian Premier Steve Bracks** has warned Canberra his victory points to a rejection of the Federal Government's stance on workplace and greenhouse issues. Mr Bracks' broadside to Canberra, first delivered during his victory speech and repeated today, has drawn a sharp response from federal Treasurer Peter Costello. Mr Costello told the Victorian Labor leader to butt out of federal politics and concentrate on state issues. (Age)

23 Nov. - **DRAMATICALLY higher prices for water** and a raft of new infrastructure projects including desalination plants co-located with nuclear power stations have been foreshadowed by the Prime Minister's Parliamentary Secretary for Water as part of an all-out attack on the worst water crisis since settlement. Delivering a National Press Club address in Adelaide, which he said was in danger of running out of drinking water next year, Malcolm Turnbull said yesterday that most water authorities had not invested any money in finding new water for years, some of them decades. They hoped or assumed that "something would turn up". (Canberra Times)

23 Nov. - **QANTAS could be broken up** and thousands of jobs threatened if a \$10 billion takeover of the airline by Macquarie Bank and US corporate raider Texas Pacific Group is successful. The national carrier yesterday confirmed it was the latest in a fast-growing list of Australian targets for global private equity funds, which have landed \$10 billion worth of deals in the past month. Private equity funds, many based in the US and Europe, have already put their foot on the Nine and Seven television networks through deals with James Packer and Kerry Stokes. They also own the Myer department store chain and have been rebuffed in a hostile \$18 billion bid - the biggest in Australian corporate history - for Coles Myer. (Australian)

## Aussie News in Brief *cont.*

22 Nov. - **IAN Thorpe** has rarely looked happier than he did yesterday when he closed the chapter on his life as Australia's greatest Olympian. Thorpe, just 24, sporting blond streaks in his hair, designer stubble and a grin as broad as any he has worn on the victory dais, looked like a weight had been lifted from his shoulders. "This is joyous for me," he said. There will be no addition to the five Olympic gold medals, 11 world titles, 13 world records, 10 Commonwealth gold medals, nine Pan Pacific titles and 18 national titles that have made him one of the greatest swimmers the world has ever known. Thorpe still owns the world 200m and 400m freestyle marks. (Advertiser)

21 Nov. - **THE anti-smacking bill** looks certain to be passed by Parliament in a slightly weakened form. The Herald has confirmed claims by the bill's sponsor, Green MP Sue Bradford, that she has enough votes to ensure it will become law. The bill will change the Crimes Act to remove the defence of "reasonable force" that parents can invoke if charged with assaulting a child. (NZ Herald)

18 Nov. - **AUSTRALIAN troops have begun patrolling Tonga's international airport** in an effort to restore calm, as dozens of Australians prepare to flee the strife-torn South Pacific nation. About 50 Townsville-based troops of 1RAR and 34 Australian Federal Police (AFP) today joined a deployment of 60 military personnel and 10 police officers from New Zealand. The airport has been closed to commercial flights since Thursday, when rioting destroyed 80 per cent of the central business district and left at least eight people dead. (Sydney Morning Herald)

15 Nov. - **STATE governments could be reduced to the level of local municipal councils** after a High Court judgment that upholds John Howard's bid to create a national industrial relations system for Australia. In a 5-2 decision, the High Court yesterday ruled that the Prime Minister's use of the corporations power of the Constitution to seize control of state workplace laws was valid. Legal experts said the decision gave a green light for Canberra to vastly expand its power over the states in future by grabbing control of areas such as health and education. (Australian)

11 Nov. - **AUSTRALIA is set to defy international pressure** as the Howard Government considers cost-effective nuclear power and a new era of coal technology. Despite pressure from the US, the Howard Government is determined to consider nuclear power as part of its wide-ranging response to climate change. The Government is convinced it can get its nuclear agenda past the objections of US politicians who want to limit the club of nations able to enrich uranium. Cabinet is about to consider plans leading to a \$5billion investment in new technology as the Coalition's nuclear inquiry concludes nuclear power is cheaper than some forms of clean coal. (Australian)

Accept that some days you're the pigeon, and some days you're the statue.

## Classifieds

### Wanted: an Australian native speaker

An Austrian family with an attachment to Australia is looking for an Australian to "play and chat" with their 6-year-old son.

"This person doesn't need to have any teaching background or other qualifications apart from the "nerves" to spend an hour on a flexible, but fairly regular basis with a six-year-old," his mother Dr Uli Kiesswetter said. "Obviously I would offer adequate reimbursement."

The Kiesswetters live in Rodaun in the 23<sup>rd</sup> district and would like to find someone who lives in the 12th, 13th or 23<sup>rd</sup> District, ie Perchtoldsdorf, Brunn/Gebirge, Mödling.

"We are an Austrian family (and statistical Australians, by the way, as we were in Australia this past summer and were counted during the census!) with great affinity to Australia and the Australian people. We have visited your beautiful country several times. During our last two visits, in summer 2005 and summer 2006, we were accompanied by our son Thomas, who was born in 2000. He has also grown to love Australia, its people, and the beautiful and spectacular nature and sights of your country. Since I myself grew up in England, we are trying to raise our son bilingually, which is rather difficult in a completely German-speaking environment."

So if any OzCon member can help out, or knows someone who could, please contact Dr Kiesswetter at [med-office@aon.at](mailto:med-office@aon.at)

### FOR SALE

MEDION NAVIGATOR – it has hardly been used ... (Reason: my German is not good enough, and it is not improving!)

IT COST me €350 but you can have it for €250 it would make a great Christmas present for someone!

Contact: Robert Clark for details or phone 02243/31985  
e-mail: [rcclark@utanet.at](mailto:rcclark@utanet.at)

### HANDYPERSON

Ahmad Mohammadzadehi is a handyman of the first order. He can do almost anything from replacing a toilet system to installing lighting to laying wooden floors or helping you move house. He speaks German and some English. Tel 06991 9526628.

### FOR SALE

Nintendo Gamecube with controller, attachments and one game: Pokemon Colosseum. €45 (New €135). Italian Trezeta iceskates size 33 plastic; Prima Wifa iceskates size 31 lace-ups. €10 each. Contact Brett on 264 5813 or email

[brett\\_bayly@yahoo.com.au](mailto:brett_bayly@yahoo.com.au)



## Performances with Australian Artists

From the Australian Events Calendar as at 15 December, Australian Embassy Vienna

8 - 11 January	<b>Masterclass for Vocalists and Piano</b>	University of Music and Performing Arts Anton von Webern-Platz 1 1030 Vienna <a href="http://www.mdw.ac.at">www.mdw.ac.at</a>	Australian Professor Merlyn Quaife from the Faculty of Music at Melbourne University will hold masterclasses and workshops in Vienna.
10 January 6-7 pm	<b>Music Student Exchange Program-Workshop with Professor Merlyn Quaife</b>	Institut Ranke-Heinemann Universitätsstrasse 11 1010Vienna Ph: 01-4060224 Email: <a href="mailto:wien@ranke-heinemann.at">wien@ranke-heinemann.at</a>	In co-operation with Institut Renke-Heinemann, Merlyn Quaife and Stephen Delaney will provide information about student exchange programs in Australia.
11 January 7pm	<b>Final Concert of Workshop Participants</b>	University of Music and Performing Arts Rennweg 8 1030 Vienna <a href="http://www.mdw.ac.at">www.mdw.ac.at</a>	Merlyn's masterclass students will show their newly acquired skill at a final concert.
12 January 7pm	<b>Merlyn and Stephen in Concert</b>	University of Music and Performing Arts Rennweg 8 1030 Vienna <a href="http://www.mdw.ac.at">www.mdw.ac.at</a>	Merlyn Quaife (Sopran) and Stephen Delaney (Piano) will be reciting Australian Vocal Music, including works by Grainger, Humble, Heagney, Le Gaillienne and Bauld.
23 Jan, opening 7pm. Exhibition from 24 January to 23 February	<b>Sally Duncan exhibiting at the Galerie Zulow Gruppe, Linz</b>	Zulow Gruppe, Ursulinenhof Landstraße 31 4020 Linz	Australian artist Sally Duncan exhibiting bronze and clay sculptures as well as aquarell paintings, pastell drawings and glass windows, reliefs in bronze and clay.

Unless otherwise specified, all telephone numbers are in Vienna

**Australian Connection (OZCON)**

email: [ozcon\\_board@yahoo.com](mailto:ozcon_board@yahoo.com)

*President:* **Brett Bayly**

Tel 06991 264 5813; H 264 5813

[brett\\_bayly@yahoo.com.au](mailto:brett_bayly@yahoo.com.au)

*Vice President:* **Robert Clark**

Tel/fax 02243/31985

[rcclark@utanet.at](mailto:rcclark@utanet.at)

*Secretary:* **Gabrielle Costigan**

Phone: 0664 61 22522

[gabrielle.costigan@gmx.at](mailto:gabrielle.costigan@gmx.at)

*Treasurer and Membership Coordinator*

**Susanna Martin-Murtinger**

Tel H: 944 0353

[paul.martin@chello.at](mailto:paul.martin@chello.at)

*Newsletter Editor:* **Liz Crawford**

Mobile: 0699 1268 1023

Home: 02252 252 638

[Lizziecrawf@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:Lizziecrawf@yahoo.co.uk)

*Ex-officio board member:* **Nancy Schupelius**

Tel: 236 0564

[elons@silverserver.at](mailto:elons@silverserver.at)

**Bank Account Details:**

Susanna Martin-Murtinger

OZCON Account

Raiffeisenlandesbank Niederösterreich – Wien

BLZ 32000

Kontonummer (Account Number): 12.097.176

Membership Fee: Euro 20

**Australian Embassy**

Mattiellistrasse 2-4, 1040 Vienna

Tel: 506740

**Useful Websites:**

[www.virtualvienna.net](http://www.virtualvienna.net)

[www.australian-embassy.at](http://www.australian-embassy.at)

[www.ninemsn.com.au](http://www.ninemsn.com.au)

[www.kids-days.com/Wien/index\\_wien.html](http://www.kids-days.com/Wien/index_wien.html)

[www.expat-consulting.com](http://www.expat-consulting.com)

[www.homesick.com.au](http://www.homesick.com.au)

[www.viennababiesclub.com](http://www.viennababiesclub.com)

[http://www.abc.net.au/vod/news/](http://http://www.abc.net.au/vod/news/)

[www.australianaonline.com.au](http://www.australianaonline.com.au)

[www.news.com.au](http://www.news.com.au)

***Other Associations***

*Austrian-Australian Society (ÖAG)*

Hubert Heine, General Secretary

Tel: 0676 5003058; 9847328

[Heine69at@yahoo.de](mailto:Heine69at@yahoo.de)

[www.australia-austria.at](http://www.australia-austria.at)

*American Women's Association (AWA)*

Tel: 9662925; [awa@xpoint.at](mailto:awa@xpoint.at)

[www.awavienna.com](http://www.awavienna.com)

*Women's Career Network (WCN)*

Tel: 9662925; [wcnvienna@yahoo.com](mailto:wcnvienna@yahoo.com)

[www.wcnvienna.com](http://www.wcnvienna.com)

***Helpful Tips Living in Vienna***

Published by the AWA

Contact AWA for stockists

*Handbook Vienna* (FREE!)

Published by Austria Today

[handbook@austriatoday.at](mailto:handbook@austriatoday.at)

Gelbe Seiten (Yellow Pages) – with an English index at the back

**New English online magazine for Vienna –**

[www.ethermagazine.at](http://www.ethermagazine.at)

[www.austriantimes.at](http://www.austriantimes.at)

**MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL REMINDER**

**As 2007 is just around the corner we kindly ask you all to renew your membership to OzCon before 31<sup>st</sup> December 2006. You will shortly receive a bank payment slip, Erlagschein, which we kindly ask you to fill out and arrange payment. It is imperative that you clearly mark your name and address on the red section of the payment slip or internet transfer to save confusion and for us to keep track of paid members. We are proud to inform you that the fee has remained the same, €20 per family.**