



Newsletter

PRESIDENT'S WELCOME



Welcome to the first ANZSOC Newsletter for 2010 – and my first opportunity to welcome you as the 16th President of ANZSOC. I'm delighted to take on this role at a time when the Society is increasing in size and influence in Australia, New Zealand and internationally.

One of my goals for the two years ahead is to enhance our presence in New Zealand, both by recruiting new members and by providing more benefits for our New Zealand membership. New Zealand has not only been a wonderful host for our conferences, but has also provided a source of important developments in criminal justice policy and practice. The application of restorative justice is a case in point.

I'd also like to foster relationships with other criminology societies across the Asia-Pacific region, and beyond. There is now an established network of researchers with an interest in criminology in China, Hong Kong, Korea and Southern Asia. ANZSOC would like to develop closer links with each of these groups, as well as those in other parts of the world. All ANZSOC members can assist by distributing this Newsletter and information about our conferences and other activities

whenever you go to overseas conferences and meetings. Our Secretary can provide copies for you to take – so just ask her.

Another goal for the years ahead is to enhance the benefits for ANZSOC members of belonging to the Society. We now have a new Website which has enormous capabilities for the dissemination of information of interest to criminologists – including employment opportunities, career advice, help for young scholars, facilitating links with other researchers, updates on new developments in criminology, and upcoming conferences that might be of interest. This Newsletter is one way in which to share information; and the Website offers another. We'll be seeking your help in providing new content for the Website, and asking you how the Website could be developed to make it more useful, and easy to operate. Now that we have established our secure online payment system, keeping up to date with membership dues will be quick and simple. Members can also access the restricted sections of the Website to find other useful content – so try it out, and let me know how it could be improved.

In September this year, the annual conference will be held in Alice Springs, which is the first time we've travelled to central Australia for our annual meeting. Allan Van Zyl has been instrumental in securing the

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ANZSOC 2010 CONFERENCE: ALICE SPRINGS

Cross-Border Domestic and Trans-National Crime: Risks and Responses

The 23rd annual conference will be held in Alice Springs from the 28th to 30th September 2010 at the Alice Springs Convention Centre. About 350 delegates from across Australia and internationally are expected. A Post-graduates day will be held on 27 September. This is the first time that ANZSOC has held its conference outside of a capital city and is also a first for the Northern Territory.

The title for the conference in 2010, "Cross-border Domestic and Trans-National Crime: Risks and Responses", reflects major issues affecting the Northern Territory, Australia, and our international region. The principal themes that fall from the title are:

- Domestic Cross-border issues that include drug trafficking, assault, family violence and border impediments between States and Territory's for policing and justice services;
- Indigenous issues in crime and criminology: positives and possibilities; and
- Trans-national issues of sexual servitude, people smuggling, money laundering, identity theft, paedophilia and associated issues.

This combination of themes will permit the widest range of participation by criminologists and allied professionals and practitioners across Australia and the region. ANZSOC has developed an exciting framework for the 2010 conference, available on the website at:

<http://dreamediant.com.au/anzsoc%202010/anzsoc-welcome.htm>

The call for abstracts closes in June 2010; however, it is advisable to get in as early as possible. Early Bird Registration closes on 30 June 2010.

The platinum sponsors at this time for the 2010 conference are the Northern Territory Department of Justice, the Australian Crime Commission (ACC), the Australian Federal Police and the Commonwealth Department of Families and Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs (FaHCSIA). A number of other sponsors include Charles Darwin University and the Australian Institute of Criminology.

The conference will feature three Australian Keynote speakers and Professor Margaret Beare of York University, Toronto, an expert on trans-national crime and Indigenous issues in Canada, has accepted our invitation to be the International Keynote speaker. Local and surrounding area tours can be booked on the website as well.

See you in Alice Springs for a great conference and your outback adventure!

**Allan Van Zyl,
for the Organising Committee**

ANZSOC Awards

The Australian and New Zealand Society of Criminology confers three Awards (see the full eligibility criteria at www.anzsoc.org/cms-awards/index.phps):

- **New Scholar Prize**, for the best publication in criminology or related area written by a member of the Society;
- **Student Paper Prize**, for the best paper in criminology or related area written by a member of the Society, who is a student;
- **Allen Austin Bartholomew Award**, for the best article published in the *Australian and New Zealand Journal of Criminology*.

Each prize winner will be presented with a Certificate at the Society's 2010 Conference and will be granted \$500 to go towards travel and registration to attend this Conference. Nominations for these awards are now closed. Winners will be decided on 1 June 2010. Next year's awards will be advertised in February 2011.

The ANZSOC Awards 2009 were presented during the conference dinner at the Perth 2009 Conference. Two winners received their award from former ANZSOC President, Kathleen Daly.



*New Scholar Prize Winner,
Anna Eriksson*



*Student Paper Prize Winner,
Gitana Proietti-Scifoni*



SAD NEWS FROM MONTREAL

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The fields of criminology and police studies have lost one of their most prolific authors and brilliant international scholars.



We would like to pay our respects to Professor Jean-Paul Brodeur, who passed away on Monday, April 26th 2010 in Montréal, Quebec.

Jean-Paul Brodeur was a Full Professor at the School of Criminology and the Director of the International Centre for Comparative Criminology, both at the University of Montréal, Canada. He was President of the Canadian Association for the Study of Intelligence Security (CASIS) and was involved in many commissions of inquiry into policing.

Professor Brodeur was a very productive writer and the author or editor, to only quote a few, of *How to Recognize Good Policing: Problems and Issues*, Sage, 1998; *Les Visages de la Police: Pratiques et Perceptions*, Les Presses de l'Université de Montréal, 2003; *Connaître la Police: Grands Textes de la Recherche Anglo-Saxonne* (with Dominique Monjardet), IHESI, 2003; *Democracy, Law and Security: Internal Security Services in Contemporary Europe* (with Peter Gill and Dennis Tölborg), Brookfield, 2003; *Citoyens et Délateurs: La Délation Peut-Elle être Civique?* (with Fabien Jobard), Editions Autrement, 2005.

For many of us in Australia and the world over, he was a dedicated friend and mentor, always ready to provide advice and support on research and publications. He will be sorely missed and our thoughts go to his family and colleagues at the University of Montréal and of course, to all who were close to him.

**Isabelle Bartkowiak-Théron,
University of Tasmania**

venue and support from the Territory Government as well as a range of other sponsors, and we're putting together a fabulous program of academic work and activities. I'd encourage everyone to make the effort to come to the conference. The theme will deal not only with Indigenous justice issues of primary importance to the Territory, but also a range of transnational and other crime and justice issues.

Next year, we'll be having another innovative conference based, again for the first time, in a regional centre, and hosted by Deakin University at its beautiful water-front campus in Geelong. Darren Palmer is compiling another unique program that will focus on the issues facing all regional communities including population, employment, natural resources and tourism. Once again, I'd encourage everyone to plan to come to Geelong – just an hour from Melbourne – in September 2011.

The next two years will see some substantial changes being made to the Society which the Committee of Management is planning at the moment. They all aim to improve the reach and impact that the Society has, and to make the benefits of being a member more extensive than in the past. Keep an eye on the Website to see what is happening and come along to our conferences and meetings to let us know what you would like to see happen. I am planning to be in regular contact with members via email to keep everyone informed of new initiatives as they evolve, and to seek assistance in implementing them.

I look forward to working with you to enhance ANZSOC's role in promoting understanding, research, communication and cooperation in criminology in Australia, New Zealand and beyond. If you have any ideas on what we could do, or how you could help, then please get in touch via

anzsoc@gmail.com

**Russell G Smith,
ANZSOC President 2009-11**

POSITIONS VACANT

**Research Analysts/Senior Research Analysts
Australian Institute of Criminology (AIC), Canberra, ACT**

The AIC is the Australian Government's independent national research and knowledge centre on crime and justice, undertaking research across a wide array of topics including human trafficking, illicit drugs, transnational crime, violent crime, cybercrime, fraud, crime modelling and forecasting, and financial crime.

The AIC is currently seeking applications for specialist quantitative research analysts to join its team. Successful candidates should hold Honours or post-graduate qualifications in a relevant discipline, such as statistics, econometrics, market research, engineering, sciences, demography, psychology and/or criminology with a substantial quantitative methods component. Criminology content knowledge is desirable but not a prerequisite. (Fixed term contracts; remuneration package \$71,300 - \$110,000 based on qualifications and experience.)

Applicants should be able to demonstrate expertise in at least some of the following: design and analysis of surveys; longitudinal data analysis; multivariate analysis; regression modelling; content analysis; network modelling; and/or structural equation modelling.

Position description and selection documentation are available from: www.aic.gov.au

Further enquiries for the positions may be directed to Dr Brent Davis, Research Manager, Modelling and Forecasting on telephone +61 (0)2 6260 9200.

Applications must be emailed to position.vacant@aic.gov.au by no later than **5pm, Sunday 16 May 2010**.

NEWS FROM THE ANZSOC SECRETARY



It is a pleasure to be writing the article for this newsletter as we are in an exciting time, with membership growth, development of the society, and expansion of service delivery to our members.

New People

First and foremost, it is with great pleasure that we welcome Dr Russell Smith as the new President of ANZSOC.

Dr Russell Smith replaces Prof Kathy Daly who stood down at the 2009 AGM. Russell has been active in the Society for many years, in recent years as 1st Vice-President, and has been a driving force in the development of the Society. Russell works as a Principal Criminologist at the Australian Institute of Criminology where he also manages the Global, Economic & Electronic Crime Program.

ANZSOC also welcomes two new vice-Presidents, in Rick Sarre from University of South Australian and Jan Jordan from Victoria University, Wellington. Both are long time active members of ANZSOC, who bring great commitment and energy to the Society.

Last, but not least, ANZSOC welcomes a new Treasurer, Fiona Dowsley from the Australian Bureau of Statistics. Fiona is a new face to the Society and we are confident that she will be a great contributor to the Committee of Management just as we welcome her commitment to managing the Society's finances.

In addition to the new set of Society officers, ANZSOC has had the great pleasure of welcoming new members to the Committee of Management. At the AGM four regional members were elected:

- ACT: Kelly Richards, Australian National University
- QLD: Tara McGee, Queensland University of Technology
- SA: Mark Halsey, Flinders University
- VIC: Darren Palmer, Deakin University

CoM Progress

Once a year, in conjunction with the annual conference, the ANZSOC Committee of Management meets to review and develop strategies for the year ahead. The 2009 CoM Planning Day meeting brought forward many exciting ideas and a solid strategy was accepted for the year to come.

A major consideration this year was an interest to develop and expand the profile of the *ANZ Journal of Criminology*. Our contract with the current printer AAP is up for renewal at the end of this year, and the CoM therefore needed to consider how to best secure the

interests of the Journal from 2011 onwards. A great effort was made by the Journal sub-Committee in investigating opportunities, offers, and possible impact of the Journal, and it was therefore with confidence that the CoM members decided to vote for SAGE as the next publisher of our Journal. SAGE offers significant benefits for the Society, both financially and in terms of future impact. At this time, the Society also wishes to pay tribute to the efforts of Stephen May and Australian Academic Press in publishing the journal since 2000.

2010 in Alice Springs

The activities of the Secretariat are turning towards our next conference in Alice Springs where we hope to see a strong field of ANZSOC members represented. We are all very excited to be able to present our members with this opportunity that will take us to the centre of the country; an experience we are all looking forward to. We are especially indebted to this year's conference convenor, Allan Van Zyl for his great work in making this the most spectacular ANZSOC conference yet. I encourage you all to read Allan's report in this newsletter and I look forward to seeing you there.

2011 in Geelong, Victoria

It was with great excitement that the Committee of Management were presented with a proposal to have the 2011 Conference in Geelong, Victoria, which we were all happy to accept. The Conference will be hosted at Deakin's Geelong Waterfront Campus which is located on the foreshore of the Corio Bay in the central business district of Geelong. With support from both Deakin University, the Mayor of Geelong, and the Geelong Regional Alliance, we feel confident that the 2011 conference will be a great experience.

The Website

The dust has settled around the new website and we are pleased with all the new functions it provides us. ANZSOC members have taken to the new system with membership numbers growing through the online application system and we are positive that this will give us the opportunity to develop membership benefits and outcomes. There is no doubt that in the future the website will provide us with a great forum for member communication. Through the website, we are currently able to provide members with regular news updates, membership details and Society information.

Our aim is for the website to become a platform for member communication, with the special member area as a source of information sharing, discussion forums, and much more. Already now, the ANZSOC website members login provides a search tool for colleagues in the field, so please keep your membership details up to date and make your preferred contact details available to other members.

If you haven't already been onto the new website, we encourage everyone to have a go, explore the new features, and get to know the special options you have as a member.

Coming up – Membership Renewal

The ANZSOC membership runs with the financial year, which means your membership will be up for renewal in a not too distant future. Soon members will be sent reminders with instructions on how to renew membership online.

In the mean time we are always happy to hear from you and help you with any enquiry you may have. Application for membership is completed online on www.anzsoc.org and if you have any questions regarding your membership or any ANZSOC activity the Secretary can be contacted on either:

Phone: +61 (0)7 3735 6997 or

Email: anzsoc@gmail.com

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Mt Gravatt Campus, Griffith University
Queensland, 4111, Australia

Website: www.anzsoc.org

With best wishes,

**Signe Dalsgaard,
ANZSOC Secretary**

Please note that the office of the Secretary is part-time and therefore responds to email enquiries only on Thursday.



Current and former ANZSOC CoM members (from left to right) Russell Smith, Darren Palmer, Roberta Julian, Kathleen Daly, Matthew Willis (outgoing Treasurer), Gail Mason, Rebecca Wickes, Sharon Pickering, Mark Halsey, Jacqueline Joudo Larsen, Allan van Zyl, Tara McGee, Frank Morgan, Rick Sarre

UPCOMING CONFERENCE

**Crime and Victimization
in the Globalized Era**

The First International Conference of the South Asian Society of Criminology and Victimology (SASCV) is being held from 15-17 January 2011 in Jaipur, Rajasthan, India. The conference theme is "Crime and Victimization in the Globalized Era" with subthemes focusing on the following areas:

- Terrorism and Extremism
- Cyber Crimes, Laws and Security
- Crimes of Culture and Culture of Crimes
- Marginality, Social Exclusion and Victimization
- Criminal Victimization in South Asia and Victimization of South Asians in other countries

For more information, go to:

www.sascv.org/conf2011/index.html



NOTE FROM THE NEWSLETTER EDITOR

The Editor would like to thank all contributors to this newsletter and the members of the Communications Sub-Committee, Signe Dalsgaard and Brigitte Bouhours.

Members are invited to submit stories, news, and notices for inclusion in the ANZSOC Newsletter. Every effort will be made to include contributions, but space is limited. Please understand that items may be edited or not included. The next issue of the Newsletter will come out at the ANZSOC Conference, in September.

The views included in this newsletter are those of contributors and do not necessarily represent the views of the ANZSOC.

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POSTGRADUATE AND EARLY CAREER RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

ANZSOC Postgraduate Research Conferences

The 2009 Post Graduate and Early Career Researcher Conference was held at the Crime Research Centre at the University of Western Australia. The program aimed to provide postgraduate students and early career researchers (ECR) the opportunity to discuss issues relevant to their situation and to provide a friendly forum to present research papers.

The day demonstrated the great immensity of postgraduate research currently in the making and covered topics such as gender issues in crime, ICT and cybercrime, night-time economy, and law enforcement. Workshops were held on how to manage the process of completing the difficult journey of a postgraduate thesis and how to navigate an academic career.

The next Postgraduate and Early career Researcher Conference will be held in conjunction with the 2010 ANZSOC conference in Alice Springs. More information on the conference can be found below and on the ANZSOC website. We look forward to seeing you in Alice Springs!

4th ANZSOC Postgraduate and Early Career Researcher (ECR) Conference

Monday 27 September 2010
09:00—16:30
Alice Springs Convention Centre, Alice Springs, NT



INVITATION TO ATTEND AND CALL FOR PAPERS

(there is no registration fee)
Registration information: www.anzsoc.org
Registration closes on 2 August 2010

"Come along and meet fellow postgraduate students, researchers, ANZSOC members and senior Australian criminologists"



Perth 2009 Postgraduate Conference



Perth 2009 Postgraduate Research Conference



Fiona Leahy, Rebecca Wickes, and Tara McGee

Are you interested in attending or presenting a paper at the 4th ANZSOC Postgraduate Conference?

If you wish to present a paper

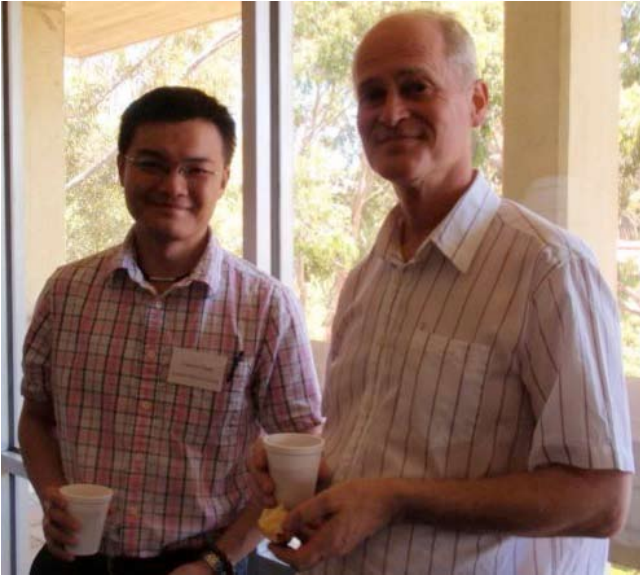
Provide a title and abstract of 150-200 words, contact details, institutional affiliation and level of study (e.g. Honours, Masters, PhD)

If you wish to attend

Provide your contact details. These are for catering purposes and will assist us in developing the program.

Please e-mail your registration to Roberta Julian, Chair of the Postgraduate and Early Career Research Committee

Roberta.Julian@utas.edu.au



Lennon Chang and Russell Smith

PROFILE OF AN ECR

Alice Hutchings



Alice Hutchings is a PhD student under the ARC Centre for Excellence in Policing (CEPS) at the School of Criminology and Criminal Justice at Griffith University in sunny Brisbane. Her primary research interest relates to computer crime.

In conducting research for identified risk factors for phishing (a type of online scam) victimisation using Routine Activity Theory as a framework. For her PhD, "Theory and Crime: Does it Compute?", Alice has expanded the topic to include a variety of different types of online fraud and unauthorised access, with a focus on the offenders rather than victims. She is evaluating a number of sociological theories of crime to determine their effectiveness in explaining these types of offences, with a view of creating an integrated theoretical model that incorporates the initiation, maintenance and desistance from these types of crime. Alice's research is primarily qualitative and includes interviews with active and former offenders and police officers and the analysis of court documents.

Alice is being supervised by Dr Hennessey Hayes, Dr Janet Ransley, and Dr Rebecca Denning from Griffith University, and Professor Peter Grabosky from the Australian National University.



Laura Wilson, Alita Spratling, Isabelle Bartkowiak-Théron, and Sally Kelty



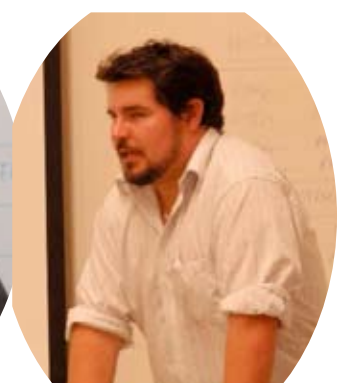
Sean Smith, Lorenz Wolf, Lynne Roberts, and Sarah Burns



Li Eriksson, Cassandra Cross, Alice Hutchings



Melissa Bull



Andrew Groves



CRIME RESEARCH CENTRES

NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research

In 1971, the then NSW Premier, the Hon. Robin Askin, sacked the police crime statistician Detective Sergeant Philip Arantz, after he publicly challenged the Government's claims about crime. Arantz was certified mentally sick by the Police Medical Officer, Dr A.A. Vane, and sent to a psychiatric hospital where he was kept for three days. The psychiatric report said there was "no evidence of psychosis" but Arantz was suspended without pay, charged with departmental misconduct and then dismissed from the police force without a pension.

This is the political environment into which the Bureau was born and has shaped its development ever since. Although the Bureau was never placed on a statutory footing, we have endeavoured to build and maintain a reputation for research and analysis that is independent, objective, rigorous and relevant. In its early days, the bureaucracy and Government probably regarded the Bureau as something of an irritant. Hopefully, most people these days regard the Bureau as a reliable source of valuable information about crime and criminal justice.

The Bureau's objectives are to:

- Identify factors that affect the distribution and frequency of crime;
- Identify factors that affect the effectiveness, efficiency or equity of the NSW criminal justice system;
- Ensure that information on these factors and on crime and justice trends is available and accessible to our clients.

Our five main areas of activity are:

- Developing and maintaining databases on crime and criminal justice;
- Conducting research on crime and criminal justice issues and problems;
- Monitoring trends in crime and criminal justice;
- Providing information and advice on crime and criminal justice in NSW;
- Promoting criminological research.

The Bureau maintains three main databases. The first is a database of persons appearing in the NSW criminal courts. The second is a database on crimes recorded by the NSW Police. The third is ROD—our re-offending database. ROD contains linked records of every person who has appeared in a NSW court or youth justice conference proceeding since 1994. These databases play a critical role in research, monitoring and the provision of advice.

The Bureau also has an active research program. Studies completed in the last year include research on the influence of recidivism on imprisonment rates, alcohol-related violence on licensed premises, the deterrent effect of suspended sentences and the responsiveness of drug users to changes in the price of illegal drugs. We are currently conducting research into the effect of economic and social stress on violence against women; public willingness to pay increased taxes for various types of crime prevention programs; police reports of school violence, the influence of alcohol and amphetamine use on pub violence; trajectory modelling of seriousness of juvenile offending; sentencing practices in relation to domestic violence offenders; models of offender risk assessment and evaluations of reforms to criminal case processing in the Local and Higher Criminal Courts.

All Bureau reports are downloadable free of charge from our website. The Bureau initiates about a third of its research projects, about a third are requested by the Government and about a third are conducted in partnership with other Government agencies and/or universities. The primary vehicle for publication of research findings is the Bureau's Crime and Justice Bulletin series. All publications in this series are independently peer reviewed. We are particularly keen to see bona fide researchers make greater use of our data for research purposes. The policy on access to data for research purposes can be found in sections 10.3 or 10.4 of our information policy, available at:

[http://www.lawlink.nsw.gov.au/lawlink/bocsar/ll_bocsar.nsf/vwFiles/bocsar_InfoServicepolicy.pdf/\\$file/bocsar_InfoServicepolicy.pdf](http://www.lawlink.nsw.gov.au/lawlink/bocsar/ll_bocsar.nsf/vwFiles/bocsar_InfoServicepolicy.pdf/$file/bocsar_InfoServicepolicy.pdf)

Visit the Bureau's website:

www.bocsar.nsw.gov.au

**Don Weatherburn, Director,
BOCSAR**

Crime Research Centre University of Western Australia

The Crime Research Centre was founded in 1988 within the Law School at the University of Western Australia. Its founding Director, Richard Harding, was Director of the Australian Institute of Criminology from 1984 to 1987 and he established the Centre on his return to Western Australia with the aid of a grant from the state government. Frank Morgan has been the Centre's Director since August 2000.

Over its 22 years of existence the Centre has developed a tradition of high quality research, a great deal of which makes use of the Centre's world class longitudinal databases encompassing the criminal careers of those who have had contact with police,

juvenile justice, courts and corrections in Western Australia. Developed with the cooperation of criminal justice agencies, the Centre's databases provide an invaluable research infrastructure for criminal justice issues and include all WA prison episodes since 1975 and arrests since 1983. The Centre has developed an offender tracking and identification system (the Integrated Numerical Offender Identification System) that allows the varied contacts of offenders across agencies to be linked, even though there is no common identifier used by agencies themselves. It also publishes crime and justice statistics for Western Australia.

The Centre teaches intensive postgraduate courses in criminal justice as well as supervising PhD and Masters by Research students. Students may enrol in units throughout the year.

The Centre's philosophy is that criminological and penal research cannot be separated from the study of criminal policy and that criminal behaviour is not independent of the policy and legal system which defines and shapes it. The Centre has a track record of engaging cooperatively but critically with criminal justice agencies as well as with other agencies involved with crime prevention and social policy.

The Centre capitalises on links with state, national and international research agencies and recognises the dearth of resources for criminological research and the need to avoid duplication of research efforts. Similarly, it acknowledges the potential synergies in combining the expertise of Centre researchers with that of others across the State, Australia and internationally. The strengths and limitations of criminological findings become clearer when research projects seek to compare findings across jurisdictions, states and countries.

There are four main areas of research which do not exist in isolation from each other. These are:

1. Crime in the life course: includes CRC research on criminal careers, recidivism, risk assessment and evaluation of criminal justice interventions to alter the course of criminal careers. It makes extensive use of the unique CRC databases on recidivism.
2. The criminal justice system and public perceptions of it: incorporates research that has been ongoing since the Centre's inception. It encompasses research on the effectiveness of criminal justice agencies, their legitimacy, and public perceptions of agencies or on certain aspects of their performance such as sentencing.
3. The distribution of crime: incorporates research on the social, spatial and temporal distribution of crime. It encompasses the CRC's outputs in the area of journey to crime, and its spatial distribution. It also encompasses investigation of the position, including victimisation, of indigenous Australians within criminal justice and the impact of social factors such as mental health status and social disadvantage.

4. Crime prevention and crime reduction policy: encompasses CRC research on crime prevention, on evaluations of interventions and the interaction between criminal justice policy and broader social policy.

Current Projects

These include two ARC Discovery Grants of national scope undertaken in collaboration with researchers across Australia:

- Sentencing and public confidence: public perceptions and the role of the public in sentencing practice and policy
- Challenges, possibilities and future directions: a national assessment of Australia's Children's Courts

Other projects include:

- Developing and maintaining databases on crime and criminal justice Research into assaults on public officers
- Developing and maintaining databases on crime and criminal justice CCTV and crime prevention
- Juvenile risk assessment for use in supervision
- Links between mental illness and crime
- Offender journeys to crime
- Differences between victim and official perceptions of what is a crime
- The collaborative National e-Research Architecture Taskforce (NeAT) project aiming to facilitate research access to criminal justice databases across Australia

Over the years the Centre has conducted many research projects, mostly in the core areas identified above. Further details of staff, projects and course offerings are available at the Centre's web-site at

www.law.uwa.edu.au/research/crc

**Frank Morgan, Director,
Crime Research Centre**

Please email:
jacqueline.joudolarsen@aic.gov.au
and let us know about your research centre and its current projects, for publication in the Newsletter.



FULBRIGHT SCHOLARSHIP REPORT

Dr Raymond Choo, from the Australian Institute of Criminology, shares his experiences during his four-month Fulbright Professional Australia-U.S. Alliance Studies Scholarship ...

In August 2009 I began my four-month long Fulbright Scholarship. It was an interesting time to be in America to study the future cybercrime threat environment as a 60-day policy review directed by The President to assess U.S. policies and structures for cybersecurity had recently been completed.

While I was formally affiliated to Rutgers University's School of Criminal Justice and the Palo Alto Research Center (PARC) for only three months, I was exposed to the active intellectual cultures of my host institutions and had the opportunity to interview a number of distinguished stakeholders in several federal government and law enforcement agencies (including the US Secret Service, FBI, and U.S. Department of Justice's Organized Crime & Racketeering Section and Computer Crime & Intellectual Property Section), universities, think-tanks and the private sector, to determine their views concerning cybercrime risks present and how these can be minimised.

These discussions were insightful and engaging, and reinforced my view that we need to renew our current engagement with the international community to ensure the harmonisation of substantive computer offences in national legislation and procedural provisions relating to investigation and prosecution of cyber crimes. In traditional criminal cases, for example, international cooperation typically occurs at the end of the law enforcement and judicial process where charges have been formally laid and the accused persons are ready for extradition; however in cybercrime, international cooperation is usually required at the beginning of the investigation process.

The development of cooperative arrangements between Australian and overseas public and private sector organisations to establish and enhance cross-border law enforcement and judicial cooperation in a timely fashion is crucial in combating cybercrime. I intend to build these initial contacts into ongoing relationships with key government officials, academics and practitioners that can help inform the cybercrime research program in the longer term.

I also visited the Centre International de Criminologie Comparée, Université de Montréal, at the invitation of Associate Professor Benoît Dupont. I had a lively and engaging discussion with the university staff, post-graduate students, and practitioners from the local police department after my presentation on "Criminal exploitation of ICT for grooming children for sexual offences".

Meeting Australian and Singaporean dignitaries – Senator The Hon Kim Carr (Minister for Innovation, Industry, Science and Research), Chris Hayes MP (Federal Member for Werrima), George Yong-Boon Yeo (Singapore's Foreign Minister) and Vanu Gopala Menon (Singapore's Ambassador and Permanent Representative to the United Nations) – and Mrs Harriet Mayor Fulbright are certainly the highlights of my trip. In addition to the opportunities to attend several intellectually-stimulating conferences including a Churchill Club presentation by Jim Goodnight (Chairman, CEO and Co-Founder of SAS), I attended several Fulbright Enrichment programs/activities and met fellow Fulbright Scholars from different parts of the world, former Fulbright Scholarship recipients who are currently based in the U.S. and many other distinguished guests.

My short stint in America has been an enriching and rewarding experience and has taught me to better appreciate and share the vision of Senator J. William Fulbright. Not all of the lasting memories of my stay in the United States are of intellectual matters – the many new friends I met and the unbelievable times we had together will remain fond memories. I feel extremely privileged to be the recipient of the 2009 Fulbright Professional Scholarship in Australia-U.S. Alliance Studies, sponsored by the Australian Government Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, and cannot but be thankful for the many post Fulbright opportunities that may come my way in the future.

**Raymond Choo,
Australian Institute of Criminology**



Raymond Choo and Mrs Harriet Mayor Fulbright

EDITOR'S REPORT: ANZ JOURNAL OF CRIMINOLOGY



It has been a busy time for the Journal. I am delighted to advise that from 2011 the *Australian and New Zealand Journal of Criminology* will be published by Sage. The contract with Sage has significant benefits for authors, readers and the Society. I am grateful for the excellent service of Australian Academic Press and wish them well in their many future endeavours.

The Journal continues to receive excellent and increased numbers of submissions. In particular my thanks to those who have contributed book reviews to the Journal.

The Journal farewells managing editor Alison Gerard. Alison ensured the set up of the Editorial office, manuscript tracking and handling process and all associated activities since last September. She has now returned to work as a solicitor and I wish her the very best and offer my sincere thanks for her tireless efforts during the transitional period. I am pleased to welcome Emma Colvin as the new managing editor.

The last issue, 43.1, of the ANZJC includes the following articles:

- *Popular Punitivism: The Role of the Courts in the Development of Criminal Justice Policies*
The Honourable Wayne Martin
- *The Comparative Method in Globalised Criminology*
Francis Pakes
- *Mentoring, Social Capital and Desistance: A Study of Women Released from Prison*
Mark Brown and Stuart Ross
- *Presumptive Arrest in Partner Assault: Use of Discretion and Problems of Compliance in the New Zealand Police*
Jenny Cross and Greg Newbold
- *Configuring Consent: Emerging Technologies, Unauthorised Sexual Images and Sexual Assault*
Anastasia Powell
- *Kiwis, Clubs and Drugs: Club Cultures in Wellington, New Zealand*
Fiona Hutton
- *Net-Widening and the Diversion of Young People From Court: A Longitudinal Analysis With Implications for Restorative Justice*
Jeremy Prichard
- *The Integration of Rational Choice and Self-Efficacy Theories: A Situational Analysis of Student Misconduct*
James Ogilvie and Anna Stewart

- *Recidivism Among a White-Collar Sample: Does Personality Matter?*

Shelley Johnson Listwan, Nicole Leeper Piquero and Patricia Van Voorhis

**Sharon Pickering,
ANZJC Editor,
Monash University**

The 2009 Conference offered a perfect setting to acknowledge Professor Paul Mazerolle for the great work he has been done as Editor of the *Australian and New Zealand Journal of Criminology* and welcome the new Journal Editor, Associate Professor Sharon Pickering.



RECENT EVENTS

Australian Illicit Drug Data Centre

The first Australian Illicit Drug Data Centre (AIDDC) was launched on 18 February in Sydney, NSW. The Centre was established by the Australian Federal Police (AFP) who received \$7.6 million over four years through the Proceeds of Crime Act to fund the Centre. The AIDDC is tasked with assisting the Australian Federal Police (AFP) and state and territory law enforcement agencies through the provision of intelligence regarding the drug supply chain in Australia.

The Centre provides a means by which data relating to the purity, method of production and likely origin of illicit drugs can be collected and analysed. The goal is to provide a more comprehensive intelligence database which tracks illicit drugs along the entire supply chain and in doing so, provide vital information in the identification and prosecution of offenders and inform national policy relating to the manufacturing and supply of illicit drugs.

Two new projects, the Enhanced National Intelligence Picture on Illicit Drugs and the National Drug Precursor Risk Assessment Capability, are currently underway and will guide the work of the AIDDC.

Further information is available from the AFP on

(02) 6275 7100

THE CAMPBELL COLLABORATION

The Campbell Collaboration is an international network of scholars and practitioners that was established in 2000 to commission and publish systematic reviews of evaluations in social policy. Modelled on the Cochrane Collaboration, which performs a similar function for medical practice and health interventions, the Campbell Collaboration was named after the prominent American psychologist Donald Campbell (1916-1996) who taught for many years at Northwestern University outside Chicago.

Among Donald Campbell's numerous seminal works was an article entitled "Reforms as Experiments" (Campbell 1969). He observed that policies are introduced and celebrated by their proponents as if they are certain to be successful. These proponents tend to be staunch advocates, and often refuse to countenance the possibility that the policy may not work. Knowing that policies can and do fail, Campbell proposed an experimental approach to social policy, where programs are piloted, evaluated, then implemented, modified, or discarded depending on the results.

The Campbell Collaboration was initially headquartered at the University of Pennsylvania, but its International Secretariat is now located in Oslo and hosted by the Norwegian Knowledge Centre for the Health Services. Campbell currently has five Coordinating Groups: Social Welfare, Crime and Justice, Education, Methods, and the Users group. The Coordinating Groups are responsible for the production, scientific merit, and relevance of Campbell systematic reviews. They provide editorial services and support to review authors.

The group of greatest interest to ANZSOC members will be the Crime and Justice Group (CCJG). The Foundation Chair of CCJG was Professor David Farrington of Cambridge University. Current Co-Chairs are David Weisburd of Hebrew University and George Mason University, and Peter Grabosky of the ANU. The Editor in Chief is David Wilson at George Mason University. CCJG Members are world class scholars drawn from eleven different countries around the globe. They meet twice yearly to assess the Group's progress, discuss potential topics for future reviews, and develop strategies for dissemination to scholar and practitioner communities.

Australia has been represented on CCJG from the outset, and the CCJG website was originally hosted by the JV Barry Library at the Australian Institute of Criminology. By the end of March 2010, CCJG had published 25 systematic reviews, with nearly 30 others in various stages of preparation.

Reviews currently available cover a range of criminal justice interventions including (among many others)

- Cognitive-behavioural programs
- Problem-oriented policing
- Improved street lighting
- Incarceration-based drug treatment
- Counter-terrorism strategies

- Neighbourhood Watch programs
- Effects of drug substitution programs on reoffending

The entire library of published reviews is accessible free of charge from the Campbell library at

www.campbellcollaboration.org/library.php

A Japanese language version of the website is accessible, and a Chinese language version is currently in the planning stages.

The work that goes into production of a Campbell review can be long and arduous. Stages of production include registration of the proposed title, preparation of a detailed protocol, including search strategy and specification of minimum methodological criteria for inclusion, and preparation of the final review. Rigorous peer review occurs at each of these stages. Reviewers in some cases have had to screen thousands of purported evaluations to determine those that are of sufficient quality for inclusion. Like the Cochrane Collaboration, Campbell reviews are based on studies of only the very highest quality.

The Campbell Collaboration relies on contributions from government agencies, as well as on the assistance of the academic and practitioner communities. Financial assistance has been received from the UK National Policing Improvement Agency, the US National Institute of Justice, the Smith Richardson Foundation and the Jerry Lee Foundation.

In addition to their posting in the Campbell Library of Systematic reviews on the Campbell Website, published reviews have also been printed and circulated by the US National Institute of Justice and the Swedish National Council on Crime Prevention.

Researchers undertaking reviews may receive financial assistance, depending upon the priority accorded the subject of the review. Peer-reviewers receive a modest honorarium for their efforts.

The Campbell Collaboration Crime and Justice Steering Group welcomes the participation of researchers, practitioners, policy makers, teachers, students, media, and concerned citizens from anywhere in the world. All are encouraged to visit the CCJG website, at

www.campbellcollaboration.org/crime_and_justice/index.php

Colleagues who would like to register a title, to serve as a peer reviewer, or to otherwise engage with CCJG are incited to contact the Managing Editor by email:

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COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT MEMBER'S PROFILE



Russell Smith ANZSOC President

Russell G. Smith first became interested in criminology when, he completed a criminology subject as part of his Law/Arts (psychology honours) studies at the University of Melbourne

in 1974. His lecturers included Deidre Greig, Stanley Johnston, Allen Bartholomew, Dennis Challinger and Austin Lovegrove (who also supervised his Psychology honours project on road traffic research). He got straight into publishing and his first article appeared in the Law Students' Magazine "Summons" in 1976. The Criminology Department at the time was housed in an old terrace in Royal Parade, Parkville which Russell frequented over the next decade as a student. After winning the John Barry Medal in Criminology, he undertook Articles of Clerkship in Melbourne and completed a Masters of Law while working as a solicitor for HSW Lawson Hughes & Co. in the city.

A travelling scholarship enabled him to complete a PhD at King's College London between 1985 and 1989 under the supervision of Professor (now Sir) Ian Kennedy for which he undertook an evaluation of the General Medical Council's professional disciplinary jurisdiction since its inception in 1858. This involved archival research in the British Library and observations of the Council's proceedings for a year in 1986. His thesis was published by Clarendon in 1994 as "Medical Discipline".

Returning to the University of Melbourne in 1990, Russell taught courses on penology, research methods, and developed a new course on medico-legal criminology. With the encouragement of Ken Polk, he left in 1996 to move to Canberra as a Research Analyst working with Peter Grabosky on computer crime and fraud. This led to the first of his three books on cybercrime with Peter and colleagues, and an enduring interest in electronic crime and its control.

At the Institute, Russell is currently Manager of the Global, Economic and Electronic Crime Program. He was Academic Adviser to the Criminology Research Council between 2002 and 2008. Some of his other professional duties include being Chair of the Victoria Police, Human Research Ethics Committee, and Honorary State Correspondent of the Selden Society in England. He was previously a non-medical practitioner member of the Medical Practitioners Board of Victoria.

This year marks Russell's 14th year at the Institute during which time he has given over 200 presentations and written over 100 publications in the area of computer crime, fraud control and professional regulation.

At the Institute, Russell is currently Manager of the Global, Economic and Electronic Crime Program, and within this role manages the Institute's research program on anti-money laundering and counter-terrorism financing. With seven research colleagues and a number of external research consultants, this program aims to provide new research on the nature of money laundering and financing of terrorism risks which Australia faces, and how best to respond to them. The research has entailed detailed risk analyses, survey research and qualitative data collection as well as extensive face-to-face consultations conducted throughout Australia and overseas.

In addition, he has continued to manage the Institute's economic crime research program which has included policy-relevant work on identity crime, fraud against the Australian Government, and consumer scams. Last year he was part of the Australian delegation at the 18th Session of the United Nations Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice in Vienna, which included debate on the global response to the problem of identity crime. He regularly presents papers at fraud conferences across Australia and overseas, and in September this year will be speaking at the Twenty-Eighth International Symposium on Economic Crime at Jesus College, Cambridge.

In addition to his work for the Institute, Russell was Academic Adviser to the Criminology Research Council between 2002 and 2008 and was previously a non-medical practitioner member of the Medical Practitioners Board of Victoria. Currently, Russell also chairs the Victoria Police Human Research Ethics Committee, the only one of its kind amongst Australian police, is a Member of the Fraud Advisory Panel in the UK, an Honorary State Correspondent of the Selden Society in England, and is involved in a number of academic editorial boards and committees. He first became a member of ANZSOC in September 1981 and has served as Secretary, Public Officer and First Vice-President.



Outgoing and incoming ANZSOC Presidents:
Kathleen Daly and Russell Smith



ANZSOC 2009 CONFERENCE: PERTH



The 2009 ANZSOC conference was held in the beautiful surroundings of the University of Western Australia Campus. The University Club provided an excellent venue with access to the campus park, on the Matilda Bay.

The conference presented rich opportunities for delegates to actively engage with others who are active in teaching and/or practices in the field of criminology. Between sessions delegates were able to convene in the great surroundings of the University Club. The breaks also gave an opportunity to meet the ANZSOC officers and Committee of Management at the ANZSOC stand.



Arminda Mengin and Matthew Willis

The last event of the 2009 conference was the annual Ice Cream Social sponsored by the American Society of Criminology. As always we appreciate the support from our friends overseas and send their delicious contribution to our conference.



Signe Dalsgaard at the ANZSOC stand



Rick Sarre and Russell Smith enjoying some ice cream



Jacqui Drew, Richard Wortley, and Anna Stewart at the Opening Reception

The 2009 conference dinner again this year was a popular event, opening the opportunity for participants to get together in relaxed and festive surroundings.



Kerry Carrington, Sharon Pickering, and Mark Halsey



Isabelle Bartkowiak-Théron and Fiona Leahy



ANZSOC 2009 CONFERENCE: PERTH

The conference title – *Crime and justice challenges in the 21st century: Victims, offenders and communities* – encapsulated several enduring issues facing criminal justice researchers and practitioners in the early 21st century and we were privileged to have a distinguished group of speakers help us address these issues. It is a sign of the growing strength of criminological research in Australia that we were presented with such a set of challenging papers as we seek to improve our understanding of social policy and practices surrounding crime, victimisation and offending.

The first keynote address was presented by the Hon Wayne Martin QC, Chief Justice of Western Australia. Chief Justice Martin jump started the conference with an informative talk on popular punitivism: the role of the courts in the development of criminal justice policies. Chief Justice Martin reviewed aspects of the recent public debate in Australia, and its impact on the development of criminal justice policies. He considered the means by which the public can be better informed of the facts and the issues properly considered when assessing the best way of protecting the community from crime, and will pay particular attention to the role of the courts.



Richard Harding, Emeritus Professor of Law at the University of WA later spoke on ratifying and implementing the Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and other forms of Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment of Punishment (OPCAT) in Australia. Drawing upon the experience in other federal States and also New Zealand, Professor Harding presented an outline of possible models.



The main plenary session on the second day of the conference introduced Key Note speakers June Oscar, CEO, and Emily Carter, Chair Marninwarntikura Fitzroy Women's Resource Centre, Fitzroy Crossing. June

Oscar and Emily Carter first showed the documentary *Yajilarra* (meaning to dream in the local Bunuba language). It showed what they and other women of Fitzroy Crossing did to change life for the better in their community. There was too much family violence, child abuse, suicide, and too much drinking. Working with their community, Emily and June took action to restrict alcohol. It was a difficult campaign, but they won, and there have been many positive changes in the community. After showing the film, Emily and June talked about the important journey the whole community had been on.



On the last day the Key Note address was presented by Anne Worrall, Emerita Professor of Criminology, Keele University UK. Professor Worrall examined the relationship between research, policy-making and practice in the treatment of women offenders, exploring the extent to which reforms that give the appearance of addressing research concerns nevertheless leave the existing social order of gender relations in criminal justice untouched. Professor Worrall questioned, that given what we now know about women offender, why does it continue to be so difficult to influence policy and practice in relation to their treatment in the criminal justice system and instead of continuing to ask the question "what works with women offender"? shouldn't we also expend more energy on asking what matters about female offending?



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