

EDITORIAL

The next conference of the Indo-Pacific Prehistory Association is now scheduled for August 1990 in Yogyakarta, Indonesia. The conference will be organised jointly with the Indonesian National Research Centre of Archaeology (Pusat Penelitian Arkeologi Nasional), and IPPA members should by now have received a circular and questionnaire.

This issue carries reports on the two 1987 conferences in which IPPA participated, in Japan and Guam. The proceedings of the Tokyo segment of the Japan congress have now been published in English as Volume 3 (Special Issue) of Man and Culture in Oceania (1987). This is an excellent production with 23 papers on Southeast Asian and Oceanic topics, and is available for US\$20 (including postage) from The Japanese Society for Oceanic Studies, Department of Social Anthropology, Tokyo Metropolitan University, Yaguma, Meguro-ku, Tokyo 152, Japan.

The proceedings of the session "Origin and expansion of the Austronesians" held at the Penablanca conference in 1985 should be out very soon as Volume XXVI, Number 1, of Asian Perspectives. Page proofs have already been checked.

Many IPPA members will doubtless be attending the Circum-Pacific Prehistory Conference to be hosted in Seattle by Washington State University and the Pacific Northwest Archaeological Society, August 2-6 1989. The draft programme looks most impressive, and ranges right across the Pacific and through all the regions around it, both Asian-Australasian and American. Anyone who wants information should write to the Conference Coordinator, Dr Dale R. Croes, Circum-Pacific Prehistory Conference, 1001 4th Avenue Plaza, Seattle, WA 98154-1101, USA.

The Conference Fund of the Prehistoric Society

The Society disposes of limited resources intended to further the development of prehistory as an international discipline by assisting prehistorians attending international conferences. Particular attention is paid to the needs of those prehistorians, particularly from developing countries, who would otherwise have difficulty in acquiring funds to attend international meetings. Application forms and further information are available from the Hon. Secretary, Dr Frances Healy, Norfolk Archaeological Unit, Union House, Gressenhall, East Dereham, Norfolk NR20 4DR, United Kingdom.

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