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Brisbane scores International World Wide Web Conference

WWW7



THE GATHERING PLACE

WWW7 Theme: *The Gathering Place*

Theresa Yasserie designed "The Gathering Place" in the tradition of using the three Ws in the World Wide Web Conference Series while incorporating common symbols represented in Indigenous Australian networks. The three circles represent the place where Indigenous people gather for meetings. The colour white indicates that it is not an Indigenous meeting, but the smaller black dots refer to Indigenous influences. The earth coloured dots are a reflection of the land of Australia. The location of the WWWs are in a "u" formation indicating the sitting position of people around the meeting place.

Brisbane will host the 7th International World Wide Web Conference (WWW7) in April 1998 — a major coup for the State, Premier Rob Borbidge announced in July.

WWW7 will be the largest information technology conference ever staged in Australia.

It is the first time this Conference will be held in the Southern Hemisphere.

Brisbane's bid for the Conference was won by a consortium of leading Australian Web technology organisations based in Queensland and New South Wales in conjunction with Brisbane Tourism, which prepared bid documents and arranged site inspections.

Consortium partners are the Prentice Centre, Distributed Technology Centre (DSTC), Charles Sturt University, Queensland Information Industries Board (QIIB), and Southern Cross University.

Graham Rees, Joint Director of the Prentice Centre, is Co-chair of WWW7. The Prentice Centre is involved in marketing, providing audiovisual equipment and services, and building the network to support the Conference.

WWW7 is expected to bring up to 3,500 information technology

professionals to Brisbane, with another 23,000 visitors coming to the associated exhibition (PC IT '98), injecting more than \$7.5 million into the State economy.

The Conference will present some of the world's leading authorities on Web development, and will feature an extensive trade exhibition, an Internet Cafe, pre- and post-conference workshops, a Developers' Forum, and telecommunication links with overseas conferences.

For more WWW7 information, see the web site <http://www7.conf.au>



Premier Rob Borbidge meets with Prentice Centre Co-Director, Graham Rees at the WWW7 Launch

New High Capacity Network

The AVCC is currently upgrading the **Australian Academic Research Network, AARNet**, to provide better network communication for Australian universities.

As the hub of the Queensland regional network, Prentice has been part of the national AARNet2 project working towards building the new network.

AARNet2 consists of a high speed ATM network, connecting regional networks belonging to Australian Universities. It will be capable of carrying data, voice and video connecting the 8 regional networks.

Links to the Internet from AARNet2 have also been upgraded. **Optus** has committed itself to meeting performance guarantees on these links to ensure that the service remains reliable and uncongested.

Technical Details...

ATM stands for *Asynchronous Transfer Mode*. This is the technology chosen by carriers to deliver integrated broadband services, allowing data, voice, video and practically any other form of communication to be sent over a single network connection.



Photography is on the move

From 25 August 1997, the Photography Unit will be located in the Prentice Building.

The move not only provides clients with access to a modern studio, but now Photography will have closer ties to other areas of Prentice (Multimedia, Graphic Design, VideoVision, Web Development) to provide some unique services.

Services offered by Photography will be on Level 5, with the exception of the colour laser copying service which will be available in Operations on the ground floor.

Photography is now able to perform work using the latest high resolution digital camera. Images can be manipulated, written to Photo CD, and printed on dye sublimation printers at photographic quality. Images can be emailed and are ideal for web pages. Contact Photography on ext 52433 for enquiries.

We look forward to seeing you at our new location!

How does email find its way?

Electronic mail finds its destination using the email address' domain, which locates an organisation's Web or email computer server on the Internet, just as your home is located by street and suburb.

For example, the University of Queensland's domain is `uq.edu.au`. A domain consists of several parts, each separated by a full-stop. The first part(s) of the domain is usually the organisation's name, or an abbreviation of their name. It may be preceded by the organisation's computer's name (eg, `dingo`).

Following the name is the type of organisation. Examples of this are:

- `.edu` for education
- `.com` for commercial
- `.gov` for government
- `.org` for organisation (non-profit).

The final part of the domain is the country code. For example,

- `.au` is Australia
- `.ca` is Canada
- `.uk` is the United Kingdom
- `.de` is Germany.

Once email reaches the correct computer server, that server then sorts mail into the individual mailboxes.

Change to Prentice's domain

Prentice services have traditionally been provided by `cc.uq.edu.au`. To make our domain easier to understand and remember, we have changed to

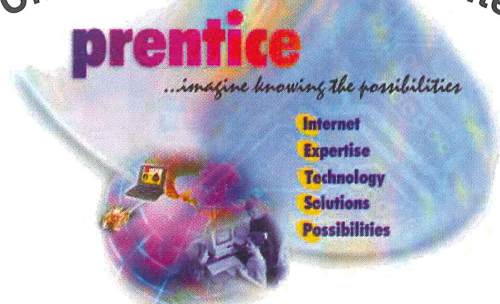
`prentice.uq.edu.au`. Our email address now works with this domain, and we have built a new Prentice Web site, also served using this domain.

Recent changes to UQ domain

Computers and email addresses at the University of Queensland with the `uq.oz.au` domain have changed to `uq.edu.au`. In almost all situations, this change will make no difference to the way anything works, but it may have implications which are explained in detail at <http://www.uq.edu.au/pcc/services/uqnet/oz-edu.html>

Please update your mailing lists, address books, web page hyperlinks, hosts files, to the `uq.edu.au` domain name. Old `uq.oz.au` email addresses, hostnames, and web addresses will continue to work for the time being.

Check out our new Web site



<http://www.prentice.uq.edu.au>