The Casual Bulletin now appears on the Archive website as an electronic journal. Printed copies are mailed out to the Friends of the Archive or on request.

Acquisitions
The Archive wishes to acknowledge the work of:

*Sophie Caplan who continues to donate ephemera, journals and newspaper clippings. This material has grown into a substantial collection and forms the basis of the Archive ephemera resource. Valuable archival material is also donated.

* Ilana Cohen who has donated some more ephemera and papers on the Yeshiva pre school.

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* Dr Rod Parker for the latest updates on the history of the Michaelis and Parker families on CD rom.
  - Festschrift for Professor Alan Crown
  - The Festschrift was launched on April 11th at Mandelbaum House. Entitled: Feasts and Fasts. A Festschrift in Honour of Alan David Crown, the book is some 376 pages long and includes the work of twenty scholars including
international figures such as Professor Emanuel Tov, the editor of the Dead Sea Scrolls project, Reinhardt Pummer and the late Ferdinand Dexinger, experts in Samaritan Studies and Professor(s) David Patterson from the Universities of Memphis and Oxford respectively. Australian scholars whose work is featured include Dr Paul Stenhouse (Samaritan Studies), A/Prof Suzanne Rutland (Australian Jewish history) and Dr Ian Young (a monumental article of tabulated material on the Dead Sea Scrolls to complement the article of Emanuel Tov) (the latter two from Sydney University’s Department of Hebrew, Jewish and Biblical studies). Dr June Alison has done pioneering work on ancient Near Eastern scribal practices and Rabbi Raymond Apple has written on the Reverend Davis, a nineteenth century rabbinic figure from the Sydney Great Synagogue.

Other Australian scholars whose work is also also featured include Dr Antoinette Collins (Jesus and Passover in the Temple), Dr Orna Lankry (Lurianic Kabbala) and Dr Tom Kramer (Hungarian Jewry). Dr Ilana Beer, who lectured in the Semitic Studies Department at Sydney University for seven years and has now returned to Israel has written on the rights of Jewish women in the talmudic era. Therefore the broad ranging topics include: Samaritan Studies, the Dead Sea Scrolls, censorship in the Talmud, Australian Jewry, Kabbalah, Hungarian Jewry, two articles on the Book of Exodus, Yiddish literature, and varied aspects of Jewish thought and literature, and represents a regular ‘feast of history’, archaeology and philosophy. There is something for everyone. As many of the contributors are former students of Alan Crown, it is also a testimony to his scholarship over a large range of issues. The book, attractively presented, with a Samaritan manuscript featured on the cover has been published by the Mandelbaum Press (Mandelbaum Studies in Judaica No 11), and edited by Marianne Dacy, Jennifer Dowling and Suzanne Faigan. Copies are available now from the Mandelbaum Trust for $A22.95 (plus $5 postage within Australia and $10 overseas). Qualified persons are encouraged to apply for review copies, as this is a book worth having on the world market.

Order from <n.winton@mandelbaum.usyd.edu.au>

**Washington Holocaust Museum**

We have filmed the Max Joseph Collection for the Washington Museum collection and are making copies of our Twelfth Hour tapes. The originals are in the State Library of New South Wales. The Archive holds copies of these tapes and also short transcripts. In early August the archivist hopes to visit the Washington Holocaust Museum.

**Board of Deputies Archives**

The archivist has begun work in relocating and organising the archives of the last twenty-five years of the NSW Jewish Board of Deputies and bringing them to the Archive of Australian Judaica. A selection of the Board’s collection of Australian Jewish magazines, eight archive boxes in all, has already been accessioned.

**Archive Publications**

The sheet music of *Mi Adir* and *Sheva B’rocho* and *Phantasia Judaica* (by Boaz Bischofswerder), which was initially composed on the Dunera may be purchased from
the Archivist for AU$22 (includes GST) each plus postage (AU$5 local, AU$10 overseas).

**Copies of Monograph No 12: Early Australian Zionism: An Annotated Index of Records in the Central Zionist Archives**, Jerusalem. Part 2. 50pp are available from the Archivist for AU$10.00 (includes GST) + $1.00 postage (AU$3.00 overseas). Copies of the catalogue will continue to be updated on the internet, as well as some copies printed on request. Monograph no 13, an update of the catalogue to 2003 has been printed and will be supplied if requested (price as above.) The online catalogue on the web is up to date.

**Available from Mandelbaum Publishing**

There are several available publications in the Mandelbaum Studies in Judaica series. These include:

**Paul Stenhouse.** *Kitab al Tarih of Abu'l Fath: The Chronicle of Abu'l Fath.* Mandelbaum Studies in Judaica No. 1. 1985. 400 pp (approx). Dr Stenhouse has translated the whole of this most important of the Samaritan chronicles into English for the first time. Although out of print, microfiche copies are available of the doctoral thesis on which the book is based. A second edition is in preparation. Fiche price AU $110.00. postage AU $5.00.

**Bruce Hall.** *Samaritan Religion from John Hyrcanus to Baba Rabbah.* Mandelbaum Studies in Judaica no 3. 1987. 300pp (approx). This work is a study of the evidence for Samaritan religious practices and beliefs from the time that the Samaritan Temple on Mt Gerizim was destroyed to the period of the great Samaritan reformer and leader Baba Rabbah. AU $37.50. Postage AU $5.00.

**Serge Liberman.** *A Select Bibliography of Australian Judaica* (2nd edn) 1991, Laura Gallou (ed). 257pp. This edition of the Bibliography of the contribution of Australian Jewry to literature and scholarship forms the definitive guide to literary and social concerns of the Australian Jewish community in its first two centuries. Dr Liberman has plans to put the bibliography “online” in the future. Price AU $15.50. Postage AU $5.00.


Eliyahu Honig draws on archival resources in Jerusalem and traces the history of Australian Zionism through the period when the Zionist Federation of Australian and New Zealand was established to its role at the beginning of World War II.
The last two items are priced at AU$40 each. Postage AU $5.00 or AU $12.00 (overseas).


**Israel Kipen:** *Ahad Ha-am: The Zionism of the Future.* Mandelbaum Studies in Judaica no 9. 1997. 187pp. This work deals in depth with the philosophical underpinnings of Zionism as an interpretation of Jewish history and as a political ideology. Cost AU$20.00. Postage AU$5.00- overseas AU$12.00.


**Archive Publications in Progress**

*The Union list of Australian Jewish Periodicals* is available as an Adobe Acrobat File on the archive webpage (3rd edition, 2005). This will not be published in hard copy for the moment, but kept updated on the web.

The Archive continues to attract a wide variety of users who include students from overseas universities, as well as local authors, writers or museum curators and researchers preparing exhibitions. Queries are also answered by email and the webpage is kept updated. Historical articles are added from time to time. The Archive wishes to thank the University of Sydney Library for technical support of the Archive, as well as the Mandelbaum Trust for paying the salary of the archivist and the Friends of the Archive for their ongoing support of the Archive’s projects, such as the microfilming of material and the copying of relevant archives and equipment updates.

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