

Call for Expressions of Interest – Scanning ASOR Historical Documents

ASOR currently has 5 boxes of documents dating back to the 1970s which includes valuable historical information such as reports on early meetings and conferences and other notable events like the rugby match between the Operations Research departments of two major steel companies. Taken together these documents paint a fascinating picture of the history of our society and profession in Australia.

These documents have been collected by different chapters and passed on from committee member to committee member, stored in various rooms and garages and so are very vulnerable to being overlooked and lost.

The ASOR National Committee would like to change that by having someone go through the documents, separate out irrelevant items and papers with personal information on them (e.g., membership forms with contact details), and scan it. Then we can make many digital copies for ourselves and to lodge in university and national archives.

To accomplish this, the ASOR National Committee is seeking Expressions of Interest from members who would be willing to sort through the material and create the scanned archive. The committee will be able to provide some funding, however given the amount of work involved, this may only partially compensate for the amount of work required to secure this historical legacy.

While this work will suit a student, the committee seeks expressions of interest to undertake this work from any member who has both a passion for preserving the past, and access to a high speed scanner through their employer or academic department.

Please send your expressions of interest through to Dr Timothy Surendonk, Honorary Treasurer, ASOR, treasurer {atsymb} asor.org.au by 30 November 2016.

