

Editorial

It may be of interest to readers that, through the good offices of our Managing Editor Robb Tilley, in collaboration with the Editor, and in a bid to attract more subscribers and more contributors to the Journal, we sent a mail-out to the 250 members of the Parapsychological Association (PA), which is the chief professional organisation of parapsychologists, with members all over the world. We sent a booklet in which the contents pages of the first four volumes of *AJPara* were reproduced, so that recipients could see for themselves what topics we have covered in the lifetime of the Journal. In addition we sent an advertisement for my *A Glossary of Terms Used in Parapsychology* (2nd ed.) and for *Parapsychology in the 21st Century. Essays on the Future of Psychical Research*, (co-edited by myself and Lance Storm), which is to be reviewed in a future issue of the Journal.

We take this opportunity to welcome our new subscribers, especially our international ones, in the hope that they will be pleased with what they find in our pages, and to encourage them to consider *AJPara* when deciding where to submit a scholarly paper. When, many years ago now, I was applying to do my Ph.D. in parapsychology at the University of Edinburgh, Dr. John Beloff in reply commented that “We in the West tend to think of Australia as the lost Continent so far as parapsychological research is concerned but it may be that more is going on than we realize.” (personal communication, 22nd April, 1977). It has taken a good many years, but Australia is no longer “the lost Continent”: rather, *Terra Australis* is coming of age parapsychologically.