

ACMLA *Bulletin* - Editor's Report

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A new feature was added to the *Bulletin* this year, beginning in issue 118: a column for Geospatial Data Reviews edited by Richard Pinnell, University Map and Design Library, University of Waterloo. Members are encouraged to contribute to this column, which is intended to share information about new geospatial datasets of interest to Canadian researchers. Guidelines for submission are published in *Bulletins* 118 and 119.

Also noteworthy this year were several requests from article authors for permission to publish their articles on the Internet. This matter was referred to the ACMLA executive for a policy decision. As the two requests received were from representatives of scholarly bodies, the Executive decided to permit the release of .pdf versions of the articles, with the ACMLA *Bulletin* header and issue information intact, and the Bulletin Editor supplied these from the existing PageMaker files. Colleen Beard, as Second Vice President, is working on a draft policy to cover future requests from either scholarly or commercial websites, as well as publication of *Bulletin* articles on our own website in future.

We also received a request this year to include a sample copy of the new *Journal of Map and Geography Libraries* as an insert in a *Bulletin* mailing. This is not physically possible with our present envelopes and would have skewed our mailing costs, so again this was referred to the Executive for a policy decision on the release of the ACMLA mailing list instead. The Executive has decided to supply Haworth Press with a set of mailing labels, under the strict stipulation that it is for this one use and purpose only, the sending of a free sample copy of this new journal to ACMLA members. This will probably take place later this summer.

Summary of *Bulletin* Costs

| | <i>Bulletin</i> 117 Spr/Sum 2003 | <i>Bulletin</i> 118 Fall 2003 | <i>Bulletin</i> 119 Winter 2004 |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Date delivered | early October | late January | late April |
| # of pages | 68 | 60 | 56 |
| # printed | 260 | 260 | 260 |
| Printing incl tax | \$1582.51 | \$1582.51 | \$1367.22 |
| Cost/cover | \$.67 | \$.67 | |
| Cost/ <i>Bulletin</i> | \$6.86 | \$6.86 | \$5.26 |
| Total postage | \$486.40 | \$483.35 | \$418.40 |
| Total cost | \$2068.91 | \$2065.86 | \$1785.62 |
| Total cost/ <i>Bulletin</i> | \$7.96 | \$7.95 | \$6.87 |

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| Total cost/page | \$.1170 | \$.1325 | \$.1227 |
| Inserts * | \$100.00 | - | - |

* Two paid inserts were included in *Bulletin* 117, for Maney Publishing (The Cartographic Journal) and Softmap Publishing.

Incidental expenses incurred in the production of the *Bulletin* this year totaled \$21.74. This represented postage for *Bulletins* sent to new members between regular mailings and the scanning of a facsimile map for inclusion in issue 119. Envelopes were supplied for all three issues through the generosity of Carleton University.

Postage Cost Breakdown

| | Canada | US | Overseas | IUTS/ PEBUQUILL |
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| # sent (Bull 119) | 76 | 60 | 23 | 60 |
| Postage/ <i>Bulletin</i> 119 | \$1.60 | \$2.80 | \$5.60 | 0 |
| Total cost for 3 issues (117-119) at postage charged for Bull 119 | \$23.78 | \$27.38 | \$35.78 | \$18.98 |

I would like to sincerely thank the *Bulletin* staff who have been conscientious in their duties and always a pleasure to work with: Dan Duda (New Maps), Martine Rocheleau (New Books and Atlases), Pierre Roy (both French and English Regional News) and Tim Ross (Reviews). Martine Rocheleau has now moved on to a new position at NRCan GeoConnections, and the New Books and Atlases column will be edited by Eva Dodsworth, University Map and Design Library, University of Waterloo, beginning with *Bulletin* 120. Sadly, our good friend Pierre Roy is retiring, and the Regional News column will be edited by Andrew Nicholson, GIS/Data Librarian, University of Toronto at Mississauga, beginning with *Bulletin* 120. Sincere thanks to Martine and Pierre for their years of service to the *Bulletin*.

Thanks are again due to Susan Jackson who has labeled the envelopes for every issue and sent them to me sorted into postal categories, and to Beth Ray who has supplied the new member information and the labels for every issue, and the membership lists for inclusion in *Bulletin* 118.

Finally thanks to all who have prepared articles, news and reviews. These contributions are essential to a quality *Bulletin*, and all members are encouraged to send ideas and suggestions for future issues.

Respectfully submitted,
Cathy Moulder
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