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Unfortunately there is very little to report.

The Division tried to hold a meeting in November 1998 in Sydney, Australia, in conjunction with a meeting of the Committee for Geographical Names in Australasia. Unfortunately no countries in the Division had funds to send a representative and consequently the meeting was cancelled. For the same financial reasons a toponymic training course that was to be have been held in Darwin, Australia in June/July 1997 has not been able to be re-scheduled.

The Chair of the Division has recently passed to Mr. Brian Goodchild who has also recently taken over as Chair of the Committee for Geographical Names in Australasia. Brian Goodchild is Secretary of the Geographic Names Committee in Western Australia and can be contacted at Brian Goodchild@dola.wa.gov.au.

John Parker Past Chair.