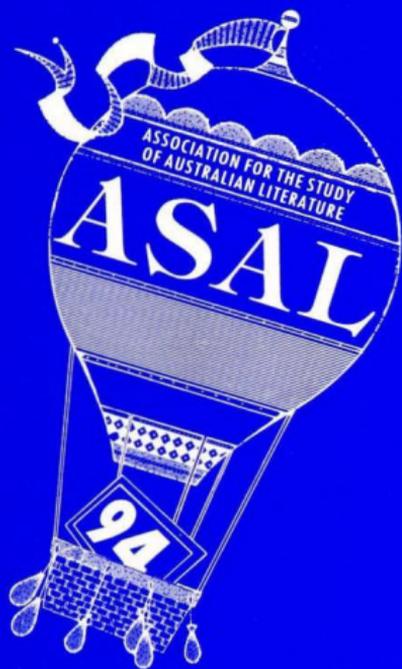


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## FOREWORD

The 1994 conference of the Association for the Study of Australian Literature was held at University College, the University of New South Wales, Australian Defence Force Academy in Canberra from 3rd to 8th July. The following is a record of the formal proceedings of the conference, published by ASAL for its members.

Almost all of the papers given during the conference have been included in this collection with the exception of one paper, and the short papers from two panel discussions. Humphrey McQueen's Dorothy Green lecture entitled '*Ut Pictura Poesis: A view from Wahgunyah*', delivered on the first day of the conference, has been published in ASAL's newsletter *Notes & Furphies* (April 1995). The conference also included readings by Australian writers, the performance of a shortened version of Katherine Thomson's *Barmaids* and a parody night (selections from this appeared in *Notes & Furphies* October 1994).

The papers are arranged here in the order they were given. Some thematic, author and genre groupings will be obvious, and there is a section on war writing which consisted of two sessions held at the Australian War Memorial. There has been minimal editing, and the papers remain close to the form in which they were delivered.

We are grateful to Margaret McNally who formatted and corrected the material, and to the Department of English at University College for its assistance in publication. The Literature Board of the Australia Council enabled Geoff Page, Don Charwood and Alan Gould to contribute to the proceedings.

This is the first time that ASAL has published the proceedings from its conference. We hope that members will find them a worthwhile addition to ASAL's activities.

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Catherine Pratt

ASAL 94 Conference conveners

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