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MEET A DIRECTOR AND TWO IMPORTANT OFFICE BEARERS

- *Recontrez Un Directeur Et Deux Nouveaux Fonctionnaires*
- *Nuovo Direttore e Due Nuovi Ufficiali*
- *Conozca A Un Director Y Dos Nuevos Encargados De Oficio*



Leslie Riggall
South Africa



Harry Churchland
Australia



Ken Mealey
Australia

Leslie Riggall, elected the Society's Director for the African Region and also assumed the duties of Membership Representative for that Region. He has grown Camellias in England, Portugal, and now in South Africa. His collection won three successive Gold Camellias in the Spanish International Exposition, and was considered to be the best in Europe at that time. A retired underwriter and former member of the Economic Research Council, London, Leslie has had a life-long interest in natural history. Now creating a private but permanently endowed Botanic Garden near Durban.

Life members of I.C.S., Leslie and his wife Gladys are well known to Camelliaphiles in many countries and were prominent figures at the International Congress at Nantes in 1977.

Harry Churchland of Gordon, Sydney, N.S.W., is now Honorary Secretary. He has claims to being truly "international", having been born in Scotland, coming to Australia at a very early age. Has lived in the environs of Sydney ever since. Essentially a practical and a "doing" man he has been engaged on the architectural side of the building industry for many years.

Harry and his wife, Nancy, became interested in Camellias some 20 years ago and are well known to Camellia lovers in many countries, having participated in two Australian overseas group tours, "Project Pensacola" to the U.S.A. in 1975 and, in 1977, "Project Brittany" which climaxed at the International Congress at Nantes. Harry has served in almost every position in the NSW Foundation Branch of the Australian Camellia Research Society, including Branch President for the three years 1974 to 1976. He is currently Immediate Past President of the Branch and also Chairman of the "EGAT" Committee which is supervising the maintenance of the Eryldene garden in the interim period before the ultimate usage of the property is determined. Happily, despite the heavy calls on his time by his Camellia interests, he is still able to fit in an occasional round of golf.

Kenneth Mealey is now caring for the dual responsibility of Treasurer and Registrar. He is well qualified for these positions having been engaged in financial management all his career. He is a Commerce graduate of the University of NSW and an Associate of the Australian Society of Accountants. Ken is currently Director of Administration of Otis Elevator Co. Pty. Ltd. as well as being President of the Building Industry Sub-contractors' Organisation of NSW and a Councillor of the Building and Construction Council of NSW. With his wife, Lynette, he first became interested in Camellias in the early 1960's. Lynette is a very active stalwart of the ACRS NSW Foundation Branch and in recent years has discharged with distinction the heavy responsibility of management of the annual Camellia display at Sydney's Myer Emporium. Lynette's mother, Mrs Yvonne Young, another participant in the Projects "Pensacola" and "Brittany", is well known in Sydney and overseas for her work in Camellia circles and has provided much skilled assistance to the ICS Executive. She is now our Editorial Assistant.

Ken and Lynette share with their two young sons interests in tennis, squash, cricket, gardening and music.