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EXPO 2002 UPDATE

Planning for Expo 2002 – Integrating The Future continues in earnest. In 2002, we have increased our exhibition space by more than 50%, which means more exhibitors, products and awesome displays than ever before. Your delegate ticket is even better value in 2002 and includes a number of functions and entry to special events as well as a complete set of notes on CD-ROM to all CEDIA educational courses.



**EXPO 2002 – INTEGRATING THE FUTURE WILL BE HELD FROM
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Delegate information is now available!

If you have not received your copy, please contact Kerrie at the CEDIA office. Alternatively you can download the information from our website – please visit www.cedia.com.au/expo.

Take advantage of our early bird specials and save on your delegate ticket to Expo 2002.

There are several special features planned for Expo 2002. Make sure you don't miss out on catching them!

CEDIA EXPO 2002 AWARDS



These awards recognise the best in our industry. Sound & Image have again graciously agreed to sponsor the Expo 2002 Awards. Submissions are open now in the following categories:

Best Installation Under \$50,000
Best Installation Over \$50,000
Most Innovative Installation

Send your entries to Anika Hillery of Sound & Image magazine at PO Box 5555, St Leonards NSW 1590. Entries should be no more than four single sided A4 pages (no exceptions!) including images, a brief description of the installation, explanatory text and a systems list. Entries close on 1 May 2002. All work published in Sound & Image is automatically entered.

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KEYNOTE ADDRESS

CEDIA is proud to announce Peter Fitzsimons – respected journalist, ex Wallaby & bestselling author will present the Expo 2002 Keynote Address at the inaugural CEDIA Keynote Luncheon. This event will also include an update from your Board on the latest developments within CEDIA. The keynote and luncheon are included in the cost of your delegate ticket to Expo 2002, with thanks to Amber Technology.



PETER FITZSIMONS is a respected column-nist for the Sydney Morning Herald and London Daily Telegraph, television presenter on the Nine Network, has played rugby for Australia, written four best-sellers and interviewed famous people around the globe from George Bush to Mother Theresa and Diego Maradona. Peter is a very lively and humorous speaker, an excellent raconteur who speaks on his favourite subjects of sport as well as the world of media and how to get the most out of it. Prepare to be both motivated and entertained!

WIN BIG AT EXPO 2002

CEDIA member delegates automatically go into the draw to win a trip to the CEDIA Expo held 25-29 September 2002 in Minneapolis, USA. The lucky winner will be flown to Minneapolis from their nearest major capital city to take part in the biggest and best custom electronics show in

the world. The prize includes accommodation, tickets to the educational seminars of your choice and entry to the trade show. The prize is drawn at the CEDIA Expo 2002 Awards Dinner held on Saturday 18 May but you have to be there to claim your prize!

NETWORK TEN INTERACTIVE TELEVISION DISPLAY

As the leader in free to air interactive television, Network Ten will be demonstrating its ground breaking Pepsi Video Hits interactive application at the CEDIA Expo 2002 in May.

The Video Hits application was created using Multimedia Home Platform (MHP) middle-wear to demonstrate the

MHP standard. It was developed in conjunction with the program sponsors, Pepsi, and showcases some of the benefits interactive TV will bring in the future.

Ten's Video Hits application is one of the most advanced interactive TV initiatives in the world, and has been

demonstrated at trade shows internationally. The MHP standard has been developed in Europe and is complementary to Australia's DVB transmission standard. Interactive devices supporting MHP are expected to be available in Australia from the end of 2002.

DIGITAL DISPLAY COMPARISON – YOU PICK THE WINNER!

The inaugural Digital Display Comparison at Expo 2002 will showcase the very latest direct view, High Definition capable display devices from exhibiting companies at Expo 2002. The pavilion linking the two hoeker-domes will be the location for you to feast your eyes and

to compare what the industry has to offer. Each display will receive an identical signal feed displaying Network Ten's HD loop. A standard definition feed will be provided during non-HD transmission times.

A specification list will accompany each display, along with booth number

and suggested RRP. A list of participating companies will be included in the show directory and all delegates will be asked to cast their vote for the product most deserving the crown of "Best Digital Display at Expo 2002".



WANT TO BE AT DESIGNEX?

We Need You!

It is Sydney's turn to host the Designex exhibition this year, from 11-14 April at the Sydney Convention & Exhibition Centre at Darling Harbour.

Following in the wake of the 2001 Sydney Home Show, which introduced CEDIA to the general public, your Board has decided to participate in Designex. This will importantly increase exposure for our members while also giving CEDIA the opportunity to address ourselves to the architectural and design professions.

The stand planned for Designex has a high impact, incorporating large CEDIA logos in a retro style presentation. Tim O'Hanlon of Silent Gliss has done a great job in designing the stand, with the view that it can be easily transported to other cities for future exhibitions.

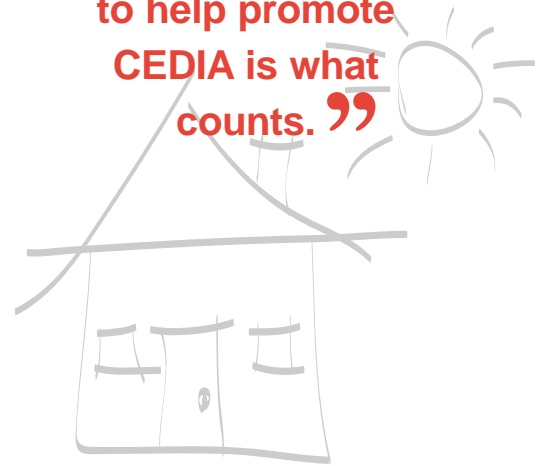
For reasons learnt at the home show, the stand will not feature a home theatre, as we feel this type of display was best left to the retailers who participate at the exhibition. Instead, we will have plasmas showing different facets of CEDIA and what the Association and its members are about.

So, why do we need you?

The display would be nothing without the support of our members. We are inviting you all to help us make the most of these four days and would dearly love to see some new faces! Even if you can only attend for a short period of time, ***your presence to help promote CEDIA is what counts.*** To maintain uniformity on the stand, we will be supplying CEDIA shirts and asking those volunteering to dress in black pants and shoes.

Please contact Kerrie at the CEDIA office as soon as possible to let us know if you plan to attend. CEDIA will create a roster to share the available time. Make the most of the opportunity CEDIA is providing you with!

“...your presence to help promote CEDIA is what counts.”



TRAVEL SPECIALS TO EXPO 2002



Samantha Hazelgrove has worked in the travel industry for a number of years and has gained extensive knowledge in arranging both domestic and international itineraries.

“I have a real passion for travel and I am delighted to offer my services to CEDIA members.”

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Sam has compiled a number of packages for CEDIA that include airfares and accommodation. In addition Sam has an eNewsletter full of specials and travel tips.

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Greetings CEDIA'ites,

Coming up with something pertinent to say in this column can sometimes be a bit of a strain on the ol' grey matter but I recently had an experience that has really given me something to contemplate.

I had reason to fly on a business trip and took the opportunity to take a couple of industry magazines to catch up on what is happening. No sooner had I opened the magazine and started looking at some pictures of the feature installation, my neighbour leaned over and asked if I was involved in this industry. When I replied that I was and explained what we do, I was staggered at his response. "I have had my architects looking for weeks for a company like yours to get involved with our new home". I had thought that our industry was becoming more obvious to the general population but in speaking with this gentleman it was clear that it is not always the case.

So I started asking around - in the media, builders & architects and one of the most important elements of our market place, our manufacturers and distributors. I finally came to the conclusion that we are still doing a pretty poor job of promoting our own companies and in turn our industry.

Without doubt CEDIA has a responsibility to promote our industry to the market place and beyond and we have started to make some good inroads in this area. But we cannot do this alone - individuals and companies we have a responsibility to promote our industry at every chance. Be it BBQ's with friends, at trade shows, providing editorial or advertising content for industry magazines such as Sound &

Image, our local newspapers and other media outlets. **We must get our story out there in a loud and clear manner.**

So you're thinking that you are doing all right, business is pretty good - what am I going on about? Let me give you the naked truth. Our industry is growing rapidly but it is still disjointed. The media constantly tells us that they do not get enough content from us and this leaves consumers confused. There are a number of very large companies out there at the moment discussing ways of taking our story and branding it theirs. The first multinational that comes along with enough money to throw at advertising will provide the banner under which the consumers can rally. I may only be speaking for myself but that does not sit well with me. This is OUR market, OUR industry and OUR story and I don't want to just hand it on a platter to some outsider.

Having stood on my soapbox, I don't have all the answers. We have some bright people in this industry and I would love to hear some suggestions about what our industry can achieve. One of the fundamentals is working together. Another is promoting ourselves as an industry as well as individual companies.

When you get the CEDIA Expo delegate brochure, have a look at some of the non-technical courses in the areas of PR and Marketing. Think seriously about where you want our industry and your business to be in a few years time.

See you at Expo...

El Presidente

CEDIA would like to know what you think the big issues are - and we will publish your thoughts.

David Traino of Leisuretech is first to step up to the soapbox with an issue at the very heart of our industry – broadband access.

The big growth sector for the US custom installation industry is without question, Structured Cabling. Structured Cabling is the very heart of the "Intelligent Home". Basically its lots of RG-6 and Cat-5 cable run throughout a home all terminating back to a services cabinet, usually in the garage. At last count, over 30 manufactures were involved in producing these steel cabinets and the various products that go within them. The idea behind structured wiring is that all these cables can be used, either now or in the future for the delivery of any number of services around the home, Computer networks (LAN), Cable TV services, Satellite TV, phone, fax, control data and even audio.

To give you an idea of how big this market is in the US, 29% of single dwelling constructions (houses) built in 2001 had Structured Wiring. The take up rate on multi-dwelling constructions, (units, townhouse, estates) is even higher, some claim that

it is over 40% for 2001. By 2003 the prediction is that 54% of single dwelling constructions in the US will have structured wiring.

So what is driving this demand? There are various opinions put forward, but from what I can see the driving force behind all this is high speed internet services. The real beauty of high speed internet is that it is ideal for multiple users. So in a house with a couple of kids each with their own computer plus Mom or Dad with a computer in a home office, everyone can surf the net at the same time with one connection and little or no effect on download speeds. And whether the service is ADSL or Cable based, the phone line into the house is kept free. Actually for me the real advantage to high speed access is that it is always there, it's a permanent logon. Think of all that time it takes each time your computer goes through the dial up connection, well with a high speed connection you never have to sit and listen to that annoying modem chatter

again. And another thing to keep in mind; that LG fridge everyone is seeing on TV will need internet access to be able to order the groceries.

Now let's look closer to home. Why would a consumer want high speed internet service? You would think that all of the above reasons would apply in our market however... Telstra's recent announcement of a 25% increase to residential subscribers of their high speed services was quite probably the worst thing that could have happened to our industry. The main consumer resistance to high speed services is cost. And now it has been very publicly announced that not only will there be a rise in the already too high price, but business accounts would be exempt.

As an industry we should be lobbying the powers that be to reduce the cost of high speed services not raise them. Competition between dial-up service providers has produced low prices for consumers but when it comes to high speed access, it seems that Telstra has a virtual monopoly allowing to charge what it wants.

So where to from here, I don't know but together there must be something we can do. If you have any ideas please email them to me - I'll compile the various suggestions and report back. Send your thoughts to david@leisuretech.com.au

CEDIA has written to Senator Alston's office with an expression of interest in becoming involved with the federal Broadband Advisory Committee, to be headed by Senator Alston. Broadband is an issue of key importance to our members. CEDIA is currently involved in an advisory capacity in other regions and we would welcome the opportunity to become a part of the process in Australia. Watch this space!



KEEP YOUR DETAILS UP TO DATE!

All members are now able to update their membership details online. This ensures you receive everything from CEDIA as well as an accurate inclusion in the 2002 Membership Directory. More importantly, prospective clients visiting the website know how to get in contact with you!

You can update your company information in the Members' Only section of the CEDIA international website at www.cedia.org. You will need the passwords and your unique membership ID.

ACA TELECOMMUNICATIONS PERFORMANCE REPORT RELEASED

The Australian Communications Authority (ACA) has released the Telecommunications Performance Report for 2000–01. As a legislative requirement, the report reviews the performance of carriers and carriage service providers (CSPs) over the last financial year.

The report makes particular reference to consumer satisfaction, consumer benefits and the quality of service arising from the provision of telecommunications services, including the standard telephone service, mobile services, Internet and Pay TV services.

Following are some pertinent extracts from the report.

Chapter 13 The Australian Internet Industry

“Emerging issues affecting the Internet industry and consumers in the next two to three years include the availability and price of broadband services, the relative quality of modem based connections, comprehension of service offerings from ISPs and the extent to which mobile access to the Internet will become available”.

Interestingly, this is considered an emerging issue by the ACA and was not listed as a discussion point in Chapter 11, which canvasses a range of telecommunications issues of particular significance to consumers during 2000/2001.

Chapter 14 Australian Pay TV in 2000-2001

“Around 1.4 million Australians, or one in five Australian households, subscribe to Pay TV services. These services provide multiple channels of video programming by satellite, cable and microwave transmission and are funded primarily by customer subscriptions. The satellite services transmit in digital formats, with analogue transmission currently used for most cable services and the sole microwave service.

“A critical technical issue facing Pay TV operators is the upgrade of customers currently receiving analogue Pay TV to digital systems offering improved channel-carrying

and interactive capability. Only one operator, Austar, currently provides interactive capability in parts of its digital satellite TV service, although Optus Television commenced interactive TV trials during the year. Austar plans to migrate its analogue microwave customers to digital satellite, but the operators of the major cable systems—C&W Optus, which carries the Optus Television service and Telstra, which carries the Foxtel service—had not announced any digital upgrade plans for their analogue networks at 30 June 2001.”

The full report is available from the Australian Communications Authority website at <http://www.aca.gov>

LADIES & GENTLEMEN, WE HAVE A WINNER!

Congratulations to Steve Miller of Electronic Interiors who has won two delegate tickets to Expo 2002 – Integrating The Future. All Steve did to win was renew his CEDIA membership before 15 January 2002! Onya Steve, your membership has already paid for itself!

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

CEDIA is a volunteer organisation and, as such, relies on input from its members to ensure its continuing success. **WE NEED YOU!** There are a number of CEDIA committees, chaired by your elected Board members, who need your help.

Lend a hand at Expo, help develop our ongoing education program, assist with membership, promotion, PR, show participation. You do not

have to be Sydney based – you just need to be enthusiastic and motivated to lend a hand. Stop whinging about what you want from us and make it happen. Get in touch with Kerrie today.

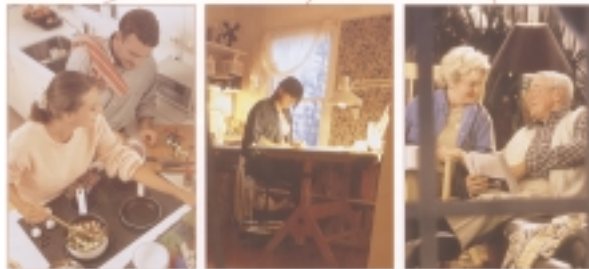
A big thank you to Peter Waugh of Home Theatrix, David Davids of Davids Communications and David Vale of Len Wallis Audio who have all stuck their hands up in recent months.



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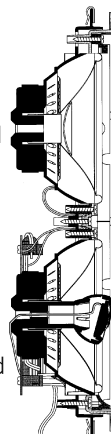
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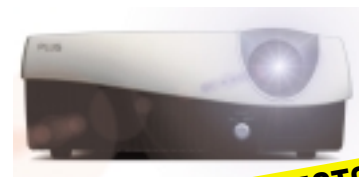


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Picture quality is further enhanced by absolutely superb deinterlacing. A straight S-video feed looks like its been through an expensive external line doubler. One of the problems DLP-based portables have had thus far is noise - both fan noise and the whine of the colour wheel. With the HE-3100, noise is a non-issue. The projector is almost silent.



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THE SEEDIER SIDE OF LIFE BY CEDRIC



Several CEDIA folks were spotted at the recent Australian Grand Prix in Melbourne. No bad behaviour was reported apart from one minor buttock-baring incident when Coulter's car blew up.

Cedric was privileged to accompany a party of dealers and installers to Linn Products in Scotland recently. The group was treated to some intensive training and excellent hospitality but despite the long hours 'the lads' were in the bar into the early hours working their way through the range of highland malt whiskies. And the sight of a staid senior retailer shrieking, "I would walk five thousand miles" in a huge karaoke bar steaming with 2000 sweaty Glaswegians still evokes nightmares.

Apparently a guy in Scandinavia recently took 16 hostages and after a siege with police took his own life. And the reason he did this – he'd just bought a wide screen TV and was horrified to discover that most of the transmitted programmes were still in 4x3. Ratio Rage is universal, it seems.

For faithful devotees of this space, you may recall Cedric's teary farewell to industry legend Bruce Ensor on his retirement. If only he'd go away...!

Stop Press!! Who noticed the prominent supplier cavorting on a Gay & Lesbian Mardi Gras float?

Cedric

UPDATE FROM THE OLD DART

Can it be true? Rumour has it that Jacki Pugh has a job - and a proper one at that! While she had aspirations to play the role of "and now for something completely different" it seems that old habits die hard. Very, very, very old habits..... She is actually working in the hi-fi industry but in that two-channel world that many of us thought was part of the way distant past. Furthermore, word is that she is

actually enjoying it! Could it be the reference in our last newsletter to Mad Cow was not so tongue in cheek as we thought?

And a word from Jacki

Dear Cedric, Must admit I found the Mad Cow reference funny - it's good to see you haven't lost your touch!

MEMBERS NEWS



Herma PST On The Move

After a year of strong growth, Herma Projection Screen Technology has moved to larger premises. Previously in Fitzroy, Herma has moved 8kms north to much larger premises at Preston. The new premises offer a manufacturing/warehouse space almost three times the size of the previous one.

Herma will continue with their tradition of manufacturing quality screens in

Australia, and hope that the additional space will allow for further improvements in lead times, quality, and a larger product range.

The new address details are 4A, 6 Albert Street, Preston. Telephone has changed to (03) 9480 6233 and fax to (03) 9480 6533. Visit Herma's website at www.herma.com.au or see also: www.projectionscreens.com.au



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NEW MEMBERS

Belden Australia **Product Manager: Scott Rogers**

Belden is a leading manufacturer of products used by the world's leading technology companies to build internet, intranet and communications networks. Their products enable broadcasters to build state-of-the-art audio/video and recording studios in both digital and analogue formats.

Ultralift Australia **Proprietor: Ken Woollard**

This Melbourne based company manufactures "the most compact lightweight reliable projector lift for the home office and theatre". They can custom make lifts to suit specific requirements including concealed tabletop and cabinet lifts.

Sound Smart **Proprietor: David Buchanan**

A THX certified installer, David was a previous member of CEDIA with a different company and has joined his new business to the Association. Welcome back David! Sound Smart is based in Launceston, Tasmania.

Schneider Electric (Australia) **National Manager (Building):** **Mark Burton-Brown**

From very high voltage to final low voltage, Schneider design, manufacture and install products and systems that control and protect electrical installations, and ensure reliable supply and the safety of people and equipment. Schneider also provide products and services to automate installations safely.

Clarity EQ **Marketing Manager:** **Carrie Grimes**

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Audio Marketing **Manager: Nigel Macara**

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Security Merchants Australia **Contact: Zaki Wazir**

This company is the exclusive distributor for Inner Range in Australia and offer a comprehensive range of security products including CCTV, motion sensors and smoke detectors. They have offices and technical support staff in Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth.

Netra Holdings **Proprietor: Kevin Hardwick**

Kevin has completed many major installations for other CEDIA member companies and has joined CEDIA to help his business maintain high industry standards.

Topform Furniture

This Tasmanian based manufacturer has combined a traditional market like furniture with the modern IT market to create the ultimate "space within a space". They offer a range of wholly Australian made home theatre chairs in addition to their incredible Convergence range, which features the comfort of a plush home theatre chair with built-in home theatre and multimedia capabilities. See it to believe it at Expo 2002!

Fine Fidelity **Proprietor: Blair McCosker**

This Toowoomba based designer/installer serves the entire area west of Ipswich in Queensland and has completed, among others, a stunning installation at Preston Peak Winery.

OMC Australia Pty Ltd

OMC is an established UK company (and CEDIA member) launching its Australian branch specialising in Home Networking. OMC installs networks from basic design to more complex ones for the building and construction industries. OMC is product neutral but is the first approved installer of the ITT DiLAN Home Networking product in Australia. ITT Industries' DiLAN technology offers single cabling infrastructure for the SOHO market. The product enables all analogue and digital home networking capabilities over CAT5 twisted pair cabling - keep an eye out for it on display at Expo 2002.

Want to get in contact with any of these companies?
Details on these and all members are available from our upgraded website at
www.cedia.com.au



SOUND & IMAGE AWARDS 2002



Held in March at Cockle Bay in Sydney, the Sound & Image Awards once again recognised the very best our industry has to offer. CEDIA would like to congratulate all winners and runners-up.

Kerrie Basha, CEDIA's Regional Coordinator was there with bells on (literally) to present two awards at the kind invitation of Sound & Image. Cedia would like to particularly congratulate the following member companies.

The Imerge SoundServer M1000 distributed by Audioworks, scooped custom Installation Product of the Year. Judges commented, "Flexible, expandable, upgradeable and equipped with brilliant cataloguing functions, the Imerge SoundServer leads the way in home music storage

and distribution". You may recall Imerge also picked up the Best Product gong at Expo 2001. Runner up was the Speakercraft WS 900 Series, distributed by Leisuretech Electronics.

Switched On Living won the Installation of the Year. Judges commented, "Voice activation as an interface with a home automation system has never been attempted, let alone achieved, so successfully in this country. A stunning implementation of design and problem solving in a system that delivers truly meaningful lifestyle benefits." Congratulations also to runners up Len Wallis Audio and Smart Home Solutions.

For a complete listing of winning products and companies, make sure you pick up a copy of the Sound & Image Awards Special, available now.

CEDIA GUIDE TO HOME NETWORKING – FREE FOR MEMBERS!

All Australasian members will receive a free copy of the CEDIA Guide To Home Networking, produced by the Home Networking Council of CEDIA. This invaluable CD is an update to the Home Theatre Guide produced by

CEDIA several years ago. It is a collaborative effort, made possible by the volunteer efforts of those who sit on the HNC. If you have renewed and not received your copy, please contact Kerrie.

WEBSITE UPDATE

If you haven't been to the CEDIA websites in a while, take a fresh look at

www.cedia.com.au

OR

www.cedia.org

Both sites have been updated, upgraded and now feature more information and greater functionality. We welcome your suggestions and feedback.

PITTER PATTER

Stu Robertson, CEDIA Board member and Victorian based designer/installer is the proud father of Heath Robertson, born to Stu and Kim on St Patricks Day. Keep an eye out for the bags under his eyes by the time he gets to Expo!!!

Congratulations also to Ron Ghezzi of Clipsal Integrated Systems based in South Australia, on the birth of second daughter Sophia.

