

News from the Divisions

NSW ONLINE USERS

The second meeting of the NSW LAA Online Users Group was held on Tuesday 1 May at the Conference Room, Fisher Library, University of Sydney. The speakers were Joan Morrison, Librarian, Engineering Library, University of Sydney and Janine Schmidt, Lecturer, Department of Information Studies, Kuring-gai CAE, now attached to Insearch/Dialog.

The topic was 'Developments in the Online World - Australia's Place' a Report from the 7th International Online Meeting, London December 1983. The main conference subjects were, Expert Systems, Information Transfer Processes and Value Added Processes.

For a copy of the newsletter *Online Australia* which details the report, write to Amanda Russell, c/- Defence Regional Library, Victoria Barracks, Paddington, NSW 2021 or telephone (02) 339 3017.

The meeting also had a lively discussion on the future direction of the NSW Online Users Group, the formation of a National Online Users Lobby Group and the staging of a National Online Conference in 1985. The NSW Online Users Group would like to contact user groups in other states regarding the planning for the conference.

The next meeting on 16 July at 6.30 pm Conference Room, Fisher Library, University of Sydney, will be on the topic 'Microcomputers and Online Searching'. The speaker will be John Kerrisk, Lecturer, Department of Information Studies, Kuring-gai CAE. To attend please contact Amanda Russell 339 3017 or Pamela Leuzinger 692 2993.

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27-31 August 1984.

NSW BRANCH

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Single copies are available from the LAA Head Office and, while stocks last, up to 20 copies from the Editor, Diana Oliver, Sutherland Shire Library, Eton Street, Sutherland, ph. 521 0353.

If you require a large number of copies a master from which you run off your own supply is available from Diana.

The Editorial group (Patricia Ward for School Libraries), David Hawkins (for Special Libraries), Lyn McCullagh (for University and College Libraries) and Diana Oliver (for Public Libraries) would like to thank the organisations which assisted with free distribution and would be interested to receive some feedback on use made of the publication. Address your comments to NSW Branch Secretary Julie Young, Library, Newcastle Technical College, Maitland Road, Tighes Hill, NSW 2297.

(Correction to note Page 6, 3rd paragraph, 5th line. There is an error in information supplied by RCAE - Change 'three years' to 'three weeks'.)

SPECIAL LIBRARIES SECTION (W.A. GROUP)

Unfortunately, 'due to a technical error' on the part of the photographic firm, we are not able to include a photo of Specials (WA)'s night out with Jenny Adams at the Oyster Bar restaurant in Perth. Perhaps it is just as well? It was great to have the opportunity to meet you Jenny, and we trust that you reported that all was alive and well in the West.

It must be. Some 60 of us attended the joint Branch/Specials seminar on June 9th entitled: 'What Are Library Educators Preparing Their Students for and What Do Librarians Expect from Graduates?' We all benefited from frank discussion of the numerous issues of concern to educators, employers and students. There were no resolutions from the seminar; it was held to provide a forum and a first step towards a better understanding between us.

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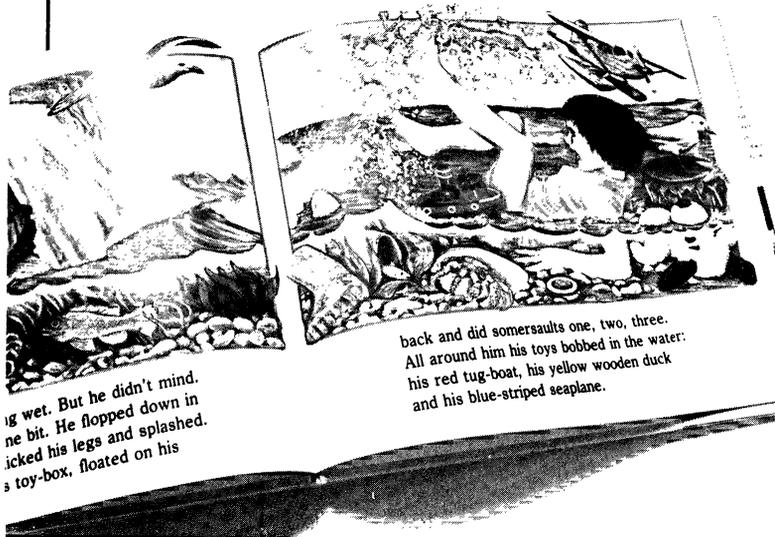
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