

NEWS FROM THE DIVISIONS  
(continued)

UCLS

The 1985-86 UCLS Committee was organised with Victoria as the host state. It was decided not to merge the state and national committees.

Committee members are:

*John Horacek* (La Trobe Uni), President.

*Ray Choate* (La Trobe Uni), Secretary.

*Helen Hayes* (Melbourne CAE), Treasurer.

*Helen Sweeny* (Swinburne Inst of Tech).

*Bill Hitchins* (Ballarat CAE).

*Bev Kirby* (Dandenong College of Tafe).

Don Ruddick (the Hub Library Resource Centre) was seconded to the committee for 1985 in order to provide liaison for the joint VATCL and UCLS Conference.

AARL: John Horacek is Editor for 1985-86. The Editorial Board consists of:

*John Cummings* (Sydney College of the Arts).

*Derek Fielding* (Uni of Qld).

*Karl Schmude* (Uni of New England).

*Jeff Scrivener* (Uni of Tasmania).

A special effort will be made to attract articles from the TAFE sector, as well as from college and university libraries.

1985 VATCL and UCLS Conference 'TAFE Libraries and Education Change'

UCLS has joined forces with VATCL and is organising a conference to be held in Geelong, Victoria, from 4-6 September 1985 (see Happenings).

1986 UCLS Seminar

The Committee decided to hold a pre-conference session in conjunction with the 1986 LAA Conference in Darwin, probably on the topic of 'Academic Libraries and the Information Market Place' with emphasis being in the concept of the 'Scholarly Information Centre' and related issues, including competition with other non-library information providers, etc. The Committee is anxious to hear from any members of UCLS, or the Association, who would like to present a paper at this proposed seminar.

**Question:** What holds 13,646,087 monographs and 192,308 periodicals?  
**Answer:** Libraries of Sydney.

32nd MEETING OF  
AACOBS  
NATIONAL COUNCIL

The 32nd meeting of the AACOBS National Council will be held in Sydney on Friday, 30 August 1985. The venue will be the Academic Boardroom, the Tower Building, George Street, Broadway, New South Wales Institute of Technology. The morning session of the meeting will be spent on business items while the afternoon session will be devoted to discussion of AACOBS' policy on various issues affecting libraries at the present time. Items identified by Standing Committee for discussion are:

- National Plan for Libraries and Information Services (follow-up to ALIC 'Issues and Objectives' paper)
- respective roles of AACOBS/ALIC/LAA
- crisis in school libraries
- establishment of national priorities for research and development.

AACOBS members and others who may be interested are most welcome to attend the afternoon session, but because of limited space, could you please advise the AACOBS Secretariat by 21 August 1985.



One of the world's few surviving copies of a 17th century atlas — the first nautical atlas produced by an Englishman — has been acquired by the National Library of Australia.

The atlas is a huge two-volume work created by Sir Robert Dudley, illegitimate son of the Earl of Leicester. Originally published in 1646, it was reissued, slightly expanded, in 1661, 12 years after Dudley's death. The copy acquired by the Library is from the second edition and, for its age, is in superb condition.

After learning that a copy of the Dudley Atlas was for sale at Sotheby's in New York, the NLA arranged for it to be examined by an

Australian conservator working at the Guggenheim Museum and an American expert. The copy was purchased by private treaty at an undisclosed price.

The Library's Map Curator, Ms Glenys McIver, said: 'The atlas is a prime document for the study of the spread of knowledge of Australia and the Pacific Ocean to southern Europe. Previously, knowledge of the area was largely confined to the Dutch, but now their discoveries were made public and further exploration invited'.

The atlas is now available for researchers in the Library's map reading room.

The Joint Steering Committee for the Revision of AACR has decided to publish a consolidation of AACR2 before the end of this decade. The consolidation will include corrections of the typographical errors which now exist and the revisions passed before the publication date.

JSC would like to receive feedback on the format in which the consolidation should be published. If you have an opinion, please send the following questionnaire or a photocopy of it to Jan Fullerton, Principal Librarian (Cataloguing), National Library of Australia, Canberra, ACT 2600, who will then arrange for the responses to be sent to JSC.

One suggestion is the loose leaf format which would allow the replacement of individual pages when rules are revised.

Do you favour a loose leaf format? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

What size?

same as present edition of AACR2 \_\_\_\_\_

8 x 11 inch 3-ring binder size \_\_\_\_\_

other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like a plasticized reinforcement of the left-hand margin of the page which will strengthen the ring holes?

This will raise costs. Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Do you want a binder included? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Do you favour another format? Please specify \_\_\_\_\_

Other comments \_\_\_\_\_