

DEPRESSION STRIKES LIBRARY!

Will this be your library?

You are buying a library computer system, to improve your services and to save you time — time you want to spend cataloguing your backlog or starting a new service to users rather than on routine old tasks. But you may find, on installation, that you seem to have less time than before.

Less time??

Because all your cataloguing data is not already entered, you may find you have to run two systems side by side — the new computer system and the old manual system. AND valuable staff may be diverted from important tasks just to key in data, or to spend endless time supervising temporary data processors who may not know a title from a tracing note. No wonder you're depressed! If your computer is already installed, you're probably facing this problem now. So read on.

LET A.D.I. SOLVE THE DATA ENTRY PROBLEM FOR YOU!

- A.D.I. will key your data — away from the library
- A.D.I. will key it for you fast — in days, not months
- A.D.I.'s trained keying operators know library data
- A.D.I. key and verify data to an incredible 99.99% accuracy rate — WHICH IS GUARANTEED!

What kind of records can A.D.I. create for you?

- Simple in house records • Cataloguing records to AUSMARC/ABN standards • Partial records • Membership files • Record types to your specifications •

How do A.D.I. do all this?

- ☐ Microfilming on site (up to 50,000 cards per day)
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- ☐ Data keyed and verified fast on to magnetic tape
- ☐ Consultation with the library and with the suppliers of the library system all the way through the project.

Benefits

- Project completed FAST • Minimal disruption • Accurate data conversion • Staff resources serve your users not just your system • Computer system live in days •

A.D.I. CAN OFFER YOU

- ☐ Australia wide service
- ☐ Affordable rates
- ☐ Keying in stages, if necessary
- ☐ Test keying/pilot study
- ☐ Guaranteed results

REMEMBER!

The data records you create now will be in your system for a long time to come. Make sure that you get them right — from the start!

AND DON'T BE DEPRESSED!

For a quote, a visit from our trained staff, or simply for more information on the services A.D.I. can offer, call Ms Sharon Barnett or Mr Roy Hancock on 633 4922.

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COMPUTER INFORMATION ONLINE

The Computer Search Services Sub-section of the National Library has access to a large number of national and overseas databases which can provide either general or specialised information about computers and computer technology. Now they are listed in a leaflet entitled *Computer Information Online*.

Copies may be obtained free of charge by contacting: Chief Librarian, Computer Search Services, National Library of Australia, CANBERRA ACT 2600. Telephone: (062) 621 607.

Computer Search Services staff can search any of the listed databases on request, and searches are charged on a cost recovery basis. Full details are included in the leaflet.

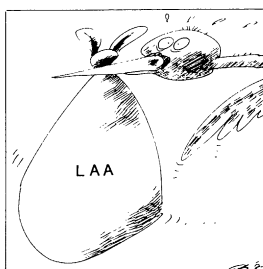
This series also includes *Disability Information Online*, *Education Information Online*, and *Legal Information Online*, all of which are still available upon request.

It's a boy!

With perfect timing, the LAA baby arrived just in time for the news to be published in *InCite*.

Jenny Adams had an 8lb 1oz boy on the afternoon of Wednesday November 20. His name is Christopher David. Warmest Congratulations to Jenny and Geoff from all LAA staff.

A photograph is promised for the first issue of *InCite* next year.



Delays on orders for MARC records

The following is the text of a communication to Mr Warren Horton, Director General of the National Library:

Attention: Mr Warren Horton.

Re: AUSTRALIAN MARC RECORD SERVICE

The William Merrylees Library purchases MARC records through CLANN. We have for some time now been very seriously inconvenienced by the slow rate at which orders for MARC records are being filled. We have outstanding orders for MARC records dating back to June 1985. I understand other CLANN members are in a similar position and that CLANN has processed its AMRS orders promptly as they were received from members.

We know that the National Library had considerable difficulties after the fire in March 1985 but we understood that it was anticipated that the MARC record service would be functioning normally by July 1985.

We believe, very strongly, that the provision of cataloguing data is one of the most important services which a national library provides since so many other library operations, both in the National Library itself and elsewhere, depend upon up-to-date, efficient, accurate cataloguing. We and other academic library users of AMRS will experience financial difficulties unless our AMRS 1985 commitment can be paid before mid-December 1985, as we shall then have to cover an additional amount in 1986, having in most cases lost the money for 1985 because of not expending it. We all observe a calendar financial year.

We urge you to devote whatever resources are needed to achieving such a service from the Australian MARC record services.

Yours Sincerely
Carol Mills
Institute Librarian
Riverina-Murray Institute
23.10.85
2.40pm

MINERVA AT INFORMATION ONLINE '86

OTC's Midas has been widely accepted as a means by which librarians can search databases online around the world.

At the Information Online '86 Exhibition to be held at the Sydney Hilton Hotel January 19-22 1986, you will be able to see OTC's Minerva system being used by the overseas exhibitors.

To celebrate Australia's first online information conference and exhibition, OTC will supply the overseas exhibitors with Netlink ID's which will provide access to the overseas hosts via Minerva using special menu-driver auto log-on procedures.

Also on display will be OTC's Minerva Library System — the electronic mail system you can use to send telexes, or to request inter-library loans from Australian or overseas libraries.

Free tickets to the exhibition are available by telephoning Australian Convention Management Services (02) 332 4622.