

**New faces in SA**



Margy Burn has been appointed Manager, Mortlock Library of South Australiana, the recently established service in the newly restored Jervois Wing on Adelaide's North Terrace.

Her previous experience includes Reader Services Librarian, Mitchell Library, State Library of NSW, and at the Barr Smith Library, University of Adelaide.

Chris Henderson has taken up the position of Manager, Public Libraries, and will be responsible for State funding, advice and services to South Australia's 20 public libraries.

Chris comes to Adelaide from Fisher Library, University of Sydney, but made her name in public librarianship as Chief Librarian and Information Co-ordinator at Lane Cove Public Library and as chairperson of the horelink Network in NSW. She has also had experience in a number of libraries in Queensland and Hong Kong.



**The Eve Pownall Award**

The NSW Branch of the Children's Book Council of Australia has announced The Eve Pownall Award.

The award will be made for the best non-

fiction book for children published in 1987 and will be judged along with the usual class A, B and C books entered in the 1988 Children's Book Council competition, and the same rules of eligibility will apply. The Eve Pownall Award will operate for 1988 only, with prize money of \$1,000 provided by the NSW Branch of the CBC to be paid to the author of the book. There will also be an appropriate citation prepared and presented by the family.

Entry forms will be circulated with the usual CBC Book of the Year forms in 1987.

The idea for the prize was first mooted by Eve Pownall's family soon after her death. She had an abiding interest in Australian history and literature for children, and won the Children's Book of the Year Award in 1952 for *The Australia Book*.

Enquiries should be addressed to: Jean Chapman, 115 Clontarf Street, Seaforth NSW 2192.

**C.H. Currey Memorial Fellowships**

The recipients of the C.H. Currey Memorial Fellowships for 1986 are Roslyn Maguire, Maja Sainisch and Peter Synan. They have each been awarded \$2,500 to pursue their writings on Australian history from original sources. Administered by the Library Council of NSW, the fellowships are offered annually thanks to the bequest of the late Dr Charles Currey, the well known Australian historian and lecturer.

Roslyn Maguire of Hunters Hill, NSW, plans to use her fellowship to further research nineteenth century Italian immigration to NSW concentrating on their settlement, occupations and public life. Maja Sainisch of Belmont, NSW, will continue her investigation of Charles Rasp, the discoverer of Broken Hill's silver-lead-zinc deposits.

Peter Synan of Sale, Vic., has a special interest in nineteenth century Gippsland and will concentrate his research on the emergence of Sale as a main town.

**Call for cats**

During the second half of 1984 Deakin University mounted a pilot project for a new service to its off-campus students whereby students could ring the library on toll-free lines and have an on-line catalogue search

conducted by library staff. Items could then be requested for loan through the courier service. The level of acceptance of such a service was subsequently tested by a questionnaire sent to users and to a sample of non-users of the service.

The findings from this study are summarised in a report entitled *A Library Loan Hotline: An investigation into cost and user acceptance of a telephone service for catalogue inquiry by distance students* by Tony Mays and Andrew Winter, Deakin University, 1985. It costs \$10 from Deakin University Press, Deakin University, Victoria 3217.

**New Chief Librarian for Phillip**



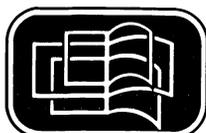
Gerard Peguero was recently appointed to the position of Institute Librarian at Phillip Institute of Technology, a two campus College of Advanced Education situated at Coburg and Bundoora in the northern suburbs at Melbourne.

Gerard is currently Deputy Chief Librarian at Footscray Institute of Technology in Melbourne where he has worked for the last eight years. His professional activities include: Foundation Secretary of the Australian Database Development Association 1983-84; Associate Editor of Australasian College Libraries 1982-84; coordinator of FIT's national seminar program from 1979-82 and editor of the various proceedings. His interest in Australian database development stems from his close involvement at FIT in the establishment of the Australian Clearing House for Recreation, Sport and Tourism (ACHPIRST), the Australian Clearing House for Library and Information Science (ACHLIS) before it was moved to the South Australian CAE in 1984, and WESTDOC — a database of information about the Western Region of Melbourne.

Gerard will take up the appointment at Phillip at the end of May 1986. He succeeds Bill Cations who is now Deputy University Librarian at The Flinders University of South Australia.

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