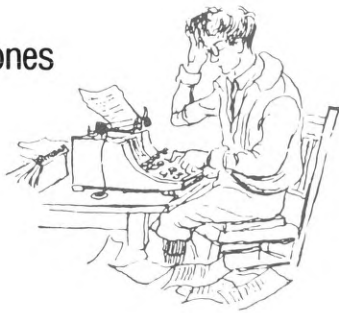


# THE SOURCE

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## D in WA

Something which I had missed when it was first published and picked up on a recent pilgrimage to Perth: *Legal deposit publications in Western Australia*. Published by the State Library Service of Western Australia since January 1985, this quarterly is a continuation of *Legal deposit books* but also includes serial and newspaper titles, as well as monographs. As its introduction suggests, it will be of special interest to those trying to keep track of WA government publication.

*Legal deposit publications in Western Australia* is excellent value at \$10.00 per annum. Orders should be addressed to Publications and Promotions, Alexander Library Building, Perth Cultural Centre, Perth, WA 6000. (ISSN 0314-9631)

## Worth knowing

Louis Braille Productions, a subsidiary company of the Braille and Talking Book Library, publishes a wide range of audio products for the print handicapped. Included are audio books on standard C90 cassettes on subjects as varied as Harpo Marx and *The women's room*. A catalogue is available from Louis Braille Productions, 31 Commercial Road, South Yarra, Vic 3141, phone (03) 267 6022.

The Australian Education Council Higher Degree Theses in Education Project is alive and well. Last year saw the publication of a bibliography of 398 theses in education (broadly defined) accepted at Australian universities and

colleges in 1983. 1986 should see coverage of 1978, 1979 and 1984 as the project merrily proceeds.

Further information on *Bibliography of education theses in Australia* is available from its publisher, the Australian Council for Educational Research, PO Box 210, Hawthorn, Vic 3122, phone (03) 819 1400. (ISSN 0811-0174)

## Welcome return

People who have given up using Sally Wynkoop's *Subject guide to government reference books*, which appeared as long ago as 1972, can now reach for its successor.

Judith Schiek Robinson's *Subject guide to U.S. Government reference books*, published by Libraries Unlimited in 1985, is a welcome, complete revision of Wynkoop's work. It offers, like its predecessor, selective coverage of publications (including non-book materials) emanating from the United States Government departments and agencies.

The 1,324 entries are well-arranged and well-annotated. There is an excellent name, title and subject index. There is also a brief, but useful three-page guide to how to obtain any of the items listed. Scanning this excellent guide I wonder, as I often do, if there is some Australian 'Robinson' lurking somewhere, about to provide the same right royal treatment for the wealth of Commonwealth reference materials.

Judith Schiek Robinson's *Subject guide to U.S. Government reference sources* was published in 1985 by Libraries Unlimited and costs US\$40.00. My review copy was supplied by Bennetts. (ISBN 0 87287 496 6)

## It all adds up

In 1984 and 1985 the Centre for Program Evaluation at Melbourne College of Advanced Education conducted a national project on primary teaching with particular reference to maths and science. *Primary concerns* is the result, giving an overview of the project together with the main report and appendixes.

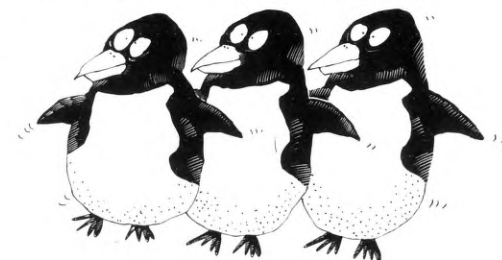
John M. Owen, Neville J. Johnson and Ronald J. Welsh's *Primary concerns* was published in 1985 by the Commonwealth Tertiary Education Commission. Copies are available from the Centre for Program Education, Melbourne CAE, 757 Swanston Street, Carlton, Vic 3053, phone (03) 341 8382. (ISBN 0 642 08179 4 (set): ISBN 0 642 08180 8 - main report and project summary)

## Junior review #1

My junior reviewer became so involved with the content of the books she had to look at (a fatal flaw for a reviewer) that she missed several deadlines before delivering the verdict that she 'liked' the kangaroo book, that one of her brothers liked the crocodile and alligator book but that the most gripping was the penguin book — no doubt a recent visit to Fairy Penguin territory was fresh in her mind.

It's hard not to like three Australian contributions to the 'Animals in the Wild' series from local publisher John Ferguson. All three are by Vincent Serventy, who provided all the text and many of the colour photographs, which are excellent. The books in this series should appeal to children of primary school age, and of course they can also be read to younger naturophiles.

*Kangaroo* (ISBN 0 909134 66 9), *Penguin* (ISBN 0 909134 64 2) and *Crocodile and alligator* (ISBN 0 909134 72 3), all by Vincent Serventy, are published by John Ferguson.

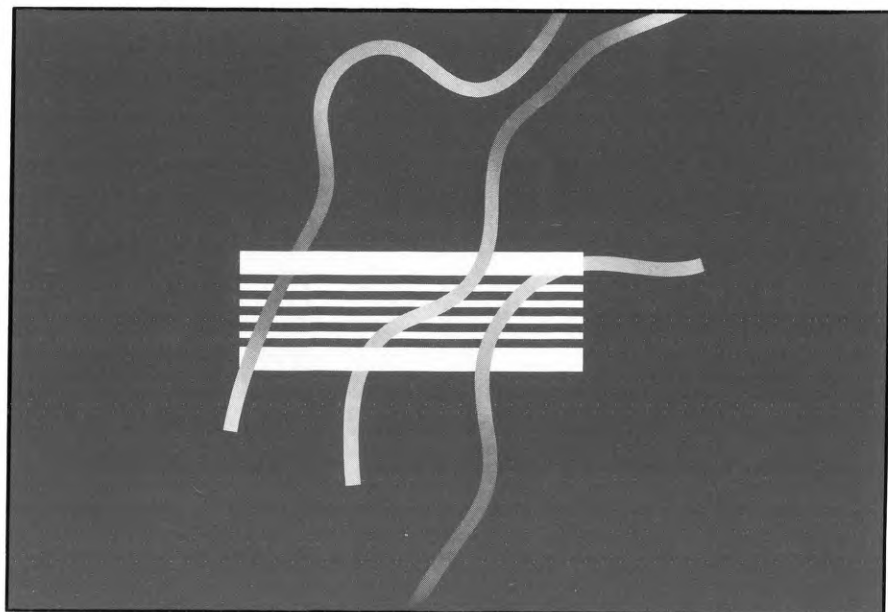


## The fertile Far North

A bright cover and some excellent book design distinguish *Visarts 85: a guide to visual arts on the Far North Coast NSW*, which was published last year by the Richmond-Tweed Regional Library.

The project, of which this is the culmination, was an ambitious one: to record information on artists and craftpersons in the area from Coffs Harbour to the Queensland border and west to Bonalbo. An amazing variety of talent is represented, including knifemaking, puppetry, batik, whipmaking, beadwork and blacksmithing. There are illustrations of some of the artists' work, and of some of the artists themselves, and a supplement of names and address of clubs, societies, galleries, courses and competitions in the area.

*Visarts 85*, a splendid venture, is available from the Chief Librarian, Richmond-Tweed Regional Library, PO Box 80, Lismore, NSW 2480. It costs \$7.50. (ISBN 0 949459 05 4)



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