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BUNDY IN!

1987 results of the 1987 elections have been announced. Alan Bundy has been elected Vice-President for 1987. President-elect 1988). Alan, who is College Librarian, South Australian College of Advanced Education, has been a member of the LAA since 1964 and has been actively involved in many areas of the Association. He is currently the South Australian Branch President.



Membership is what Alan highlighted as his number one priority during his Presidential term and he will concentrate on how the Association responds to the needs of its current and potential members. Another area of major concern is a National Information Policy, i.e. the political importance of a national strategy for library and information services.

Other results
The Board of Education had two positions available and Mairéad Browne and Ed Parr were elected to these. Both are currently serving on the Board.

The voting pattern for Vice-President was as follows:

Alan Bundy	310
Derek Fielding	251
Euan Miller	144

The voting response was 30 percent higher than in 1985, with 712 valid votes as compared to 545. It is still disappointingly low, representing only about 10 percent of the membership.

Jenny Adams
Executive Director

The LAA meets the Council of the NLA

LAA President Ian McCallum and Executive Director Jenny Adams met the Council of the National Library of Australia at its October meeting, at the Council's invitation. The Council was briefed on the Association, its activities and its position on National Information Policy.

Mr McCallum spoke at some length on National Information Policy and his concepts of model library and information services. He told the Council that the Association would need help so it could point out the areas where the provision of information was successful and to show where information policy and planning were working.

Jenny Adams briefed the Council members on planning for the IFLA Conference, to be held in Sydney in 1988, and distributed an advance publicity leaflet for this bicentennial event. She said the LAA was grateful for the National Library's commitment to the Conference, pointing out that the Library's high profile overseas had greatly assisted negotiations with the IFLA governing board.

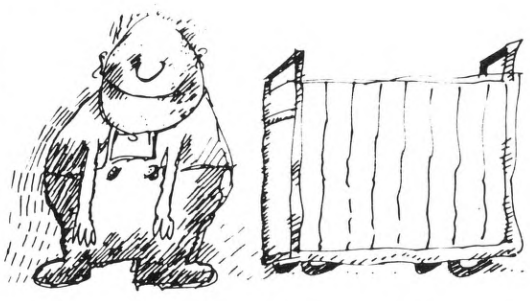


National Library photograph by Loui Seselja
Ms Jenny Adams (L), Executive Director of the Library Association of Australia, and Mr Ian McCallum, President of the Association (R), with the Chairman of the Council of the National Library of Australia, Mr Morris West.

Sid's the champion!

IT WAS moving the Australian Archives Authority that began it all. That was in January 1979, and it was the first big library removal that Kilner's had undertaken. Since then they have become the library equivalent of a household name, when it's time to move.

With that first job they used boxes for packing the books, as you might expect. It was very hard work, very time consuming, and Sid Champion, boss of Kilners, thought there had to be a better way . . .



He gave the matter a lot of thought and set to work to design the trolley that has become an integral and highly efficient part of moving a library with Kilners. There have been a number of modifications to the original model, and a considerable investment has been made in producing enough trolleys for the kind of large library removal that Kilners take in their stride. But with this specialised equipment they can move with speed and efficiency — and no

loss or damage. The use of trolleys is also a tremendous advantage where access is difficult. Kilners have specially constructed hoists and ramps which make it possible to reach places that might have seemed overwhelmingly difficult. As Nora Hinchey wrote of the Stanton Library move:

... a difficult move because of access out of one building and into another, the size of some of our shelving units and the fact that the Library remained open during most of the move.



The move of the Parliamentary Library included many fragile items such as heavy bound newspapers and much nineteenth century material, all successfully moved without difficulty. The move of the Archives Authority NSW was described as an operation which was 'completed well ahead of schedule, with nothing lost, misplaced or damaged'.

The care and planning that Kilners put in to perfect the task of moving a library have made them specialists in that particular area, and they are kept very busy at other times with moving offices and other businesses, and, of course, private removals.

One of the things they really enjoy about moving libraries, the Champions say, is the friendly feeling in being part of the library world.

If you're planning a move, why not give Sid or Barbara Champion a ring on (02) 502 1611. They're at 28 Richlands Street, Kingsgrove 2208.

MINERVA NEWS

From a mere 34 mailboxes in May, the Minerva Library Network (MLN) had increased its membership to 111 by early November, representing libraries of all types from around Australia.

The National Library is currently having its mailboxes transferred to the MLN, and the new box numbers should soon appear on the MLN directory.

As from Friday November 15, a special category, MLNADVISE, has been listed on the Bulletin Board, item 6 on the MLN menu, for guidance in operating the MINERVA system, and in assisting with library related functions.

Every Friday, new items will be 'posted' on the Bulletin Board, and if regularly accessed, should provide librarians with an ideal forum for information exchange on a wide range of topics.

To overcome the problems associated with published print directories becoming dated, a Bulletin Board item is currently inviting librarians to send their library's facsimile numbers to the ILL Unit at the State Library of NSW (MLN200000) for inclusion in a live online directory of library facs users.

Even if your library is not yet a member of the MLN, send us your facs number and we will be pleased to give you a listing.

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