



Who's Where

★ Sue Halbwirth has been appointed Lecturer in the Department of Information Studies at Kuring-gai CAE. Sue was previously Manager of the Instructional Technology Centre, School of Education, Macquarie University.

★ Diana Killen has established her own consultancy business, Diana Killen Enterprises, based in Melbourne. Diana attended the Information Online '87 conference in Sydney recently with her latest 'enterprise' — five month old daughter Amanda. In addition to undertaking consultancy work, Diana is chairman of the Australian Database Development Association, and is teaching in RMIT's School of Information Services. Diana can be contacted on (03) 205334.

Insight

The good news — bouquets from the West



It was great to receive a first congratulatory phone call from the West — 'we received *InCite* today, great! thank you!' A number of days delay had been chopped off and *InCite* had speeded its way to the West arriving in record time.

More good news

The redoubtable Katie Blake, editor of the popular *Online Currents* newsletter and erstwhile compiler of the 'Bawdy Bits' column in *InCite*, will be returning to these pages soon. Katie's new column UNDERCURRENTS will keep readers up to date with developments, new technology and the background to issues in the online world.

Not quite good news

Mentioning the praise *InCite* received recently leads me onto telling you a little more about our production schedule. The time frame for production is still the same as when *InCite* was a mere fledgling of only 8 pages! Collecting, editing, writing, typesetting, proofing, laying out, checking adding colour and printing the material which makes up our usual 16-20 page issues is an exacting schedule and calls for long working hours and commitment from inhouse staff, typesetters and printers alike.

Out of the 17 days lead time (14 working days) for each issue it takes 1-2 days for final layout, 3-4 days for printing and 1-2 days to sort, stuff and prepare the publication for posting at the mailing house. Of course the schedule also allows some time for *InCite* to reach you through the mail too.

★ Jane Kandiah, formerly Technical Services Librarian at Deakin University, has commenced as Senior Librarian, Technical Services at RMIT. Lorraine Lane, Circulation Librarian at WAIT will take up her appointment as Collection Management Librarian at RMIT on 16 March 1987.



Taisoo Kim Watson has been appointed to the position of Head, Educational Resources Centre — Library with Frankston College of TAFE. Taisoo was previously the City Librarian with the Brighton City Council, Victoria. Taisoo is looking forward to working at an educational institution. She will be organising computerisation of the College resources and implementing the new system this year before moving into the new library building at the end of 1987.

★ Identic Books Pty Ltd announced that Ms Linsie Tan joined the company in February. Linsie resigned her position of Deputy City Librarian at Liverpool Library to come to Identic in a public relations role, and to liaise with librarians on computerised acquisitions. Linsie's appointment coincides with Identic's move to expanded offices at 2/46 Wattle Road, Brookvale, NSW 2100.

In brief there are 9 working days to get material to the printed stage and delivered to the mailing house and only 4 days of this to organise the content from copy to typeset final bromides. During these 4 days (Tuesday-Friday of Week One) material comes in on Tuesday (copy deadline day), Wednesday and Thursday.

Members probably feel that *InCite's* lead time is long. But if the time it takes to prepare a publication of this size, and the fact that material comes in over a period time is considered, the lead time is not as long as it appears to be.

To get *InCite* out to you on time a dilemma must be faced — extend the lead time by one or two days or insist that members keep to the copy deadline and leave out material that comes in after this date.

A decision has been taken to try the latter option and the bottom line at this stage appears to be 'copy in on time — *InCite* in your letterbox on time'.

However all is not doom and gloom, be assured that the 'full on' effort will continue by all those involved in production and that anything head office staff can do will be done to get *InCite* to you on time! One thing which will assist members to meet the deadline date is the office's imminent purchase of a fax machine. Watch this space for our details of our new fax number soon!

So let's work together — cut out the list of *InCite* deadlines on page 2 and organise to send your contributions in by the copy deadline dates listed — so that we can achieve what everyone wants. *InCite* up to date and on time.

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AUSTRALIA DAY HONOURS

Two major figures in Australian librarianship received awards in the 1987 Australia Day Honours.

Laurie Brown, former State Librarian of Tasmania and Dr Andrew Osborn, former Librarian of the University of Sydney, were created Members in the General Division of the Order of Australia (AM).



A Fellow of the LAA, Laurie Brown was the Association's President during 1975-76, editor of the *Australian Library Journal* from 1971 to 1974, and received the Association's H.C.L. Anderson Award, 'for outstanding service to librarianship' in 1986. He has an impressive record of participation in wider professional activities, and was Chairman of the State Librarians' Council from 1980 to 1986, and Chairman of the Australian Libraries and Information Council from 1984 to 1986. He retired as State Librarian of Tasmania in June 1986. The award is 'for public service, particularly in the field of librarianship'.



Dr Andrew Osborn's award is 'for service to library science'. Dr Osborn was Librarian of the University of Sydney from 1959 to 1962, was responsible for major development of the library's bookstock in that period, and played a leading role in the design of the Fisher Library building. He has held positions at the National Library of Australia, Harvard University Library, the University of Michigan Library School, and was Dean of the Library School, University of Western Ontario before returning to Australia in the late 1970s. He is the author of *Serial Publications*, described in *The Serials Librarian* as 'the single most famous technical work ever published in the field of librarianship ... [a] work in which librarians can expect to find a full-dress review of the tenets and practices of serials work.'

NATIONAL SECTIONS/ SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

The Corporate Plan made two recommendations relating to National Sections and Special Interest Groups —

Recommendation 20: Abolish National Sections and National Special Interest Groups.

Recommendation 21: Give Sectional Groups and Special Interest Groups the opportunity to form national committees should they wish.

National Sections and Special Interest Groups will be around for a further 12 months in their current form because General Council did not make any final resolution on these two recommendations but requested that all comments on the recommendations be circulated for further comment. This is now being done and interested individuals may also wish to see the documentation. Copies may be obtained by contacting Angela Brommann on (008) 22 1481. Comments should be sent to the Director by 30 May 1987. Council will consider the matter again in September.

Jenny Adams
Director