

## THE SOURCE

### A good Reid

The redoubtable Ralph Reid has continued his commendable compilation activities with his *Directory of Australian directories*, the first edition of which was published by the LAA in 1987.

This 250-page trail-blazer covers every subject imaginable, from organisations involved in bitou bush/boneseed management to waste disposal. Entries are very well laid out, and are arranged in 30 broad classifications. The searcher also has a range of indexes to choose from: title, subject, editor, ISSN, ISBN and publisher/sponsor. In his interesting introduction, Reid refers to the difficulty reference workers have had in the past in tracking down Australian directories. Well, that is in many cases now in the past. This is an excellent essay into the field, and Reid is to be congratulated both for this directory and for his continuing work on the next edition.

The first edition of *Directory of Australian directories*, compiled and edited by Ralph R. Reid, was published in 1987 by the LAA. It costs \$70 (\$50 to LAA members). (ISBN 0 86804 039 9)

### It's all in the mind

In 1979 La Trobe University Library published a very thorough and useful contribution to the bibliography of Australian psychoanalysis, the work of R. C. S. Trahair and J. G. Marshall, covering the years 1884 to 1940. These authors have now produced a companion work, *Australian psychoanalytic and related*

*writings 1941-1980*, containing 746 briefly annotated entries for 'publications by Australians, by non-Australians who published in Australian journals and by non-Australians who published overseas on the psychoanalytic viewpoint of Australian life'.

Entries are alphabetical by first-named author, but there is a name index and a rather broad but nonetheless welcome 'classification of entries'.

R.C.S. Trahair and J.G. Marshall's *Australian psychoanalytic and related writings 1941-1980* was published in 1987 as Library Publication no 33 by the Borchardt Library and the Department of Sociology, La Trobe University, Bundoora, Vic 3083. It costs \$18 (ISBN 0 85816 646 1)

### Good brew

Suzanne Welborn's *Swan: the history of a brewery* is a good example of a company history: full of facts, well-illustrated and crisply-written. There are fascinating insights into this enterprise, from its shaky beginnings to its recent airborne apparitions.

*Swan*, by Suzanne Welborn, was published in 1987 by University of Western Australia Press at \$30.00 hardback (ISBN 0 85564 271 8) and \$20 paperback (ISBN 0 85564 272 6).

### Shades and shadows

*The Ministry and the Opposition Front Bench 1987* is a useful little book which the (Commonwealth) Department of the Parliamentary Library published in September 1987. It provides brief Parliamentary, ministerial, party and personal information on the Federal Ministry and their opposite numbers in the Opposition and minor parties, as well as other useful appendixes, such as an alphabetical list of Senators and Members and a list of Australian PMs to date. It makes a useful supplement to the *Parliamentary handbook*, but for absolutely up to date information on the ministerial minefields of our capital, reference librarians will still need to keep a sharp lookout for casualties in the columns of their chosen dailies.

*The Ministry and the Opposition Front Bench 1987* was compiled by Martin Lumb and Margaret Healy for the Department of the Parliamentary Library. Copies are available from the Australian Government Publishing Service at \$4.95. (ISBN 0 642 12193 1)

### Don your brand new VISOR

A veritable army is at hand to aid Victorian managers in business and industry, and finding just the right specialist adviser or consultant has been made infinitely easier with the publication of *Victorian industry support organisations register*, which of course has the catchy acronym VISOR.

The first edition of this work has already received favourable mention, and the second edition, published in 1987, is bigger and even better. 905 organisations and individuals are listed in this directory, with each entry providing contact information and details of services and specialties. Government bodies, university and college departments, companies big and small, research centres and experts in every relevant subject under the sun are included. Very full organisation, contact person and subject indexes are provided.

The second edition of *Victorian industry support organisations register* was compiled and edited by Vernon Prior in collaboration with Judith Thompson and Robyn Scrivener. It was published by Technisearch and copies are available from the Marketing Mix, PO Box 440, South Yarra, Vic 3141 for \$65 plus postage. (ISSN 0818-867X)

### Mine of information

450 documents on gold mining in Australia published between 1975 and 1987 are listed, annotated and very comprehensively indexed in another of the AESIS Special Lists. No 24 in this series, entitled *Gold mining, processing and extractive metallurgy: 1975-June 1987* covers published and unpublished reports, monographs, conference papers and journal articles recorded by AESIS (Australian Earth Sciences Information System).

AESIS has also produced indexes to Western Australian and Victorian Mines Department open file reports, a 10-year index to Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy publications, a 33-year index to the Geological Society of Australia journal and is also preparing an 18-year index for the Australian Society of Exploration Geophysicists. Truly can AESIS claim to be the world's largest single database on Australian earth sciences and resources.

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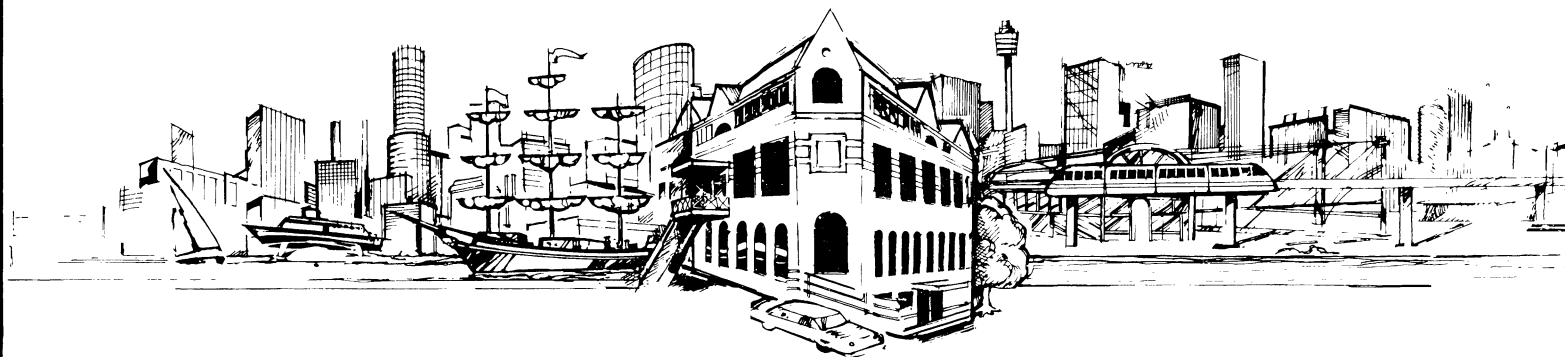
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## Bosses' bible

Some perilous pastures are surveyed in an interesting resource book published by the Confederation of Australian Industry. The CAI is of course the 'peak council' of employers organisations in Australia.

In its *Resource book on industrial action*, the CAI presents 'an outline, in non-technical language, of the range of remedies available to employers where industrial action occurs', providing actual examples and references to landmark cases.

The second edition of *Resource book on industrial action* was published in October 1987 by the CAI at 44th Level, Nauru House, 80 Collins Street, Melbourne, Vic 3000. It costs \$15 (No ISBN)

## Another serve

In yet another of its outstandingly useful series of 'Library Publications', La Trobe University has published a second edition of a bibliography of bibliographies on the Australian Aborigine. 163 items are cited and described — 30 more than in the 1979 edition — ranging from John Greenway's massive, 10,000 entry bibliography to a three page list of anthropological theses from the University of Western Australia.

John Thawley and Sarah Gauci's *Bibliographies on the Australian Aborigine* is no 32 in the Library Publication series from La Trobe University. It was published in 1987 and costs \$15 (ISBN 0 85816 662 3)

## Asian Australians

You need to take a good look at the title page to get the message. Yes, it is *AustralAsian*. Skimming the pages of *AustralAsian who's who*, you soon get the message. Doctors from Sri Lanka, lawyers from Malaysia, astrologers from India, librarians from Fiji, journalists from Japan: an amazing variety of 'prominent Asians for whom Australia is home' are represented in this enterprising work, which first appeared in 1987.

Entries are arranged by occupation — medicine and health services accounting for about a third of the entries — but there is an index. I'm sure reference librarians would have preferred a single alphabetical sequence. The work includes a very useful list of names and addresses of Asian community organisations in Australia. The publishers promise that this *who's who* will appear every two years.

The first edition of *AustralAsian who's who* was published in 1987 by Oriental Publications, 65 South Terrace, Adelaide, SA 5000. (ISBN 0 7316 0073 8)

## Hard sell

It isn't always easy selling products to government departments. There are rules and procedures to be followed, which may and do vary from state to state, and from department to department. Suppliers who don't already know the ropes can now look for help to *Selling to government*, which was published last year by Information Australia.

Compiled by G. A. Binkowski and E. A. Bajkowski, this 317-page work provides reasonably detailed information on purchasing procedures of the Commonwealth, State and Territory governments, together with 60 pages of succinct guidance for those with the fortitude to sell to the United Nations. Those

who are in the business of providing scalp vein sets (sharp) in Western Australia or works of art to the Commonwealth will find information to their advantage in this well-designed and thorough manual.

*Selling to government* was published last year by Information Australia Group Pty Ltd, 45 Flinders Lane, Melbourne, Vic 3000, phone (03) 654 2800. (ISSN 0818-2930)

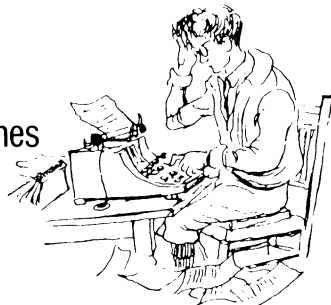
## No-nonsense nonprint

Twelve years separate the first and second editions of Jay Daily's *Organizing nonprint materials*. Twelve years is an awfully long time in the history of nonprint materials, encompassing the takeoff of the CD, the massive investment in videodisc technology, the personal computer revolution and its aftermath, and the popularisation of the videocassette. The focus of Daily's work has not changed: '... the problem is still what to get, how to keep track of it, and when to replace it.'

This is what Daily, in a span of 300-odd pages, attempts, starting with the basics and progressing through cataloguing by content or by identifying features, to outlining a procedural manual. There are extensive examples of bibliographic entries for maps, art prints, sound recordings, games and videocassettes. A substantial part of the work is a list of subject headings for nonbook materials, using a Dewey-like classification scheme.

Jay E. Daily's *Organizing nonprint materials* was published in 1986 by Marcel Dekker and costs US\$59.50 (ISBN 0 8247 7504 X).

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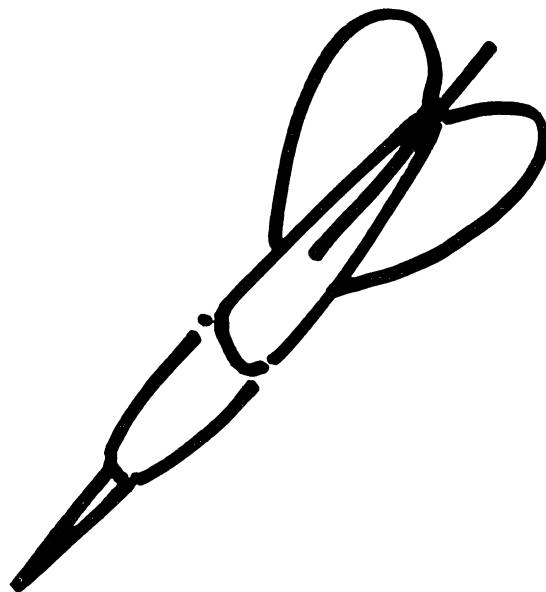
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