

IN THE NEWS

Celebrate OS

Dublin is celebrating its Millenium in 1988 and Dublin Public Libraries is interested in offering exchange positions to public librarians in Australia as part of its promotional program and in conjunction with Australia's Bicentennial celebrations. The scheme allows for an exchange of positions between professional staff for a period of 3 months.

A comprehensive training program will be provided. For further information contact: Ms Fionnuala Hanrahan, Deputy City and County Librarian, Dublin Public Libraries, Central Department, Cumberland House, Fenian Street, Dublin 2, Ireland.

Williamson Award

The 1987 Robert D. Williamson Award was awarded to Sherrey Quinn at the VALA Conference dinner in Melbourne in November.

The award is presented each year to someone judged to have made an outstanding contribution to the development of information science in Australia, and for demonstrated potential for positively influencing future information science developments. The award commemorates the late Bob Williamson and perpetuates his commitment to information systems development.

Sherrey Quinn is Secretary of the Australian Database Development Association, and Editor of the *Recipe Book Service of Online*

Searching. She has also been involved as Training Consultant with AUSINET, and AUSTRALIS, has prepared a searching guide for the Australian Bibliography of Agriculture, and developed the ARRB Local Street Information System known as ALSIS.

No-name grants

The Industry Research and Development Board is currently inviting researchers in industry, government, academic and private research institutions, working in the areas of information and communications technologies, to apply for grants under its Generic Technologies Program.

Applications for grants in 1987/88 should be made by 29 February 1988. Further information and application forms can be obtained from David George, Industry Research and Development Board, GPO Box 2704, Canberra 2601 (062) 76 1000.

ABN Users Group membership

Since July last year ABN's Cards-Only and Tapes-Only customers have been entitled to participate in national users meetings. Their participation at state level is now being debated. Before any decision is taken, the Victorian ABN Users Group would like to find out how many of these customers there are in the state and how many wish to join the group.

Gaik Khong, Secretary of the Victorian ABN Users Group, is interested in hearing the views of all Cards-Only and Tapes-Only ABN customers in Victoria. She can be contacted on (03) 813 3844.

Pyrmont party

Members of the Ultimo-Pyrmont Festival Committee in Sydney are looking for photographs and drawings depicting Ultimo and Pyrmont at any time during the last 200 years. They would like to display these photos in the new branch library at Ultimo during its Festival in October 1988.

Anyone with pictures of Ultimo or Pyrmont or details of family life in the suburb can contact the Festival organisers, Julie Harris (02) 212 6186 or Jenny Salmon (02) 692 0054 after working hours, or Louise Lansley at the LAA (02) 692 9233.

Who's where



Ms Claire Conroy has taken up the new position of Defence Regional Librarian South Australia located at Keswick Barracks, Adelaide. This function was previously undertaken by Ms Edith Heinrich in addi-

tion to her duties as Senior Librarian Defence Science and Technology Organisation Salisbury. Claire was previously with the Australian Mineral Foundation.

- Graham Whittall, formerly manager of CSR Infoservices, has joined Systematics Information Systems as Information Consultant where he will be looking after sales and support of Systematic's library automation products, CAIRS, CAIRS-LMS and MINISIS.
 Graham will also be offering consulting in the setting up and design of automated retrieval systems on behalf of Systematics.
- Amarc Data International Pty Ltd has appointed Lyn Bosanquet to assist with library retrospective conversion projects. Lyn's extensive experience in online cataloguing for a variety of libraries, will be of great benefit to the company and its library customers.
- Robyn Ward has been appointed to the position of Municipal Librarian with the Randwick Municipal Library Service.

Previously the Deputy Librarian for 12 years, Robyn began her library career in the State Library of NSW before becoming the first Readers' Advisor in Sydney's Waverley Municipal Library. She worked with the Hackney and Kensington Public Library Services in London and gained some special library experience with the Finance Library at News Ltd. and the Technical Library of the then Public Transport Commission of NSW. Julie Jarvis has been appointed to the position of Deputy Municipal Librarian.

• Bev Kirby has left her position as head of a TAFE library to start her own information management consultancy. Bev, who heads up Kirby Information Services in Hawthorn, Victoria, is looking forward to the challenge of providing on-the-job training to potential information managers. Bev believes that librarians will make the best information managers and need only confidence and a small amount of additional training to seek and hold those positions in their organisations.

New Title Information

Australasian – over 5,000 reviews p.a.

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