

Centre for communication and information research

On 23 February 1990 the Centre for Communication and Information Research (CCIR) within the Faculty of Communication at the University of Canberra was launched. The Centre's program is concerned with research into communication and information processes in the Australian-Asian-Pacific region. Its main focus is on the production, distribution, and social uses of information and communication in organisational and intercultural contexts. It will have an administrative orientation, as well as a concern with cultural, literary, and linguistic studies.

Launched in 1990 to coincide with the establishment of the University of Canberra, it aims to develop an innovative research program over the next 18-24 months based on a strategic research plan currently being developed. It will examine some of the long-term social and cultural implications of Australia becoming an information-based society.

At this time, CCIR is in its initial stages of development, but is in the process of forming affiliations with other centres for communication and information research in Australia. It already has a number of links with overseas advisors in its own geographical region and in the US. The long term aim of the Centre is to become self-financing and engage in significant and socially responsible research. There is a real need for the human implications of the current rapid changes taking place in the global and national communication and information industries to be carefully examined.

CCIR will draw on existing disciplinary skills from the Centres of Communication Studies and Library and Information Studies, and where appropriate, also use the expertise of staff in other School Centres, such as Modern Languages and Media.

Current research program

Current research projects include: studies in television audience analysis; the historical development of Australian communication industries; database

development for Australian communication and information research; information needs and information seeking behaviour.

As well as developing its own unique research projects, the Centre will coordinate on-going graduate and staff higher degree research. Some current work here includes the introduction of pay television to Australia, job-design requirements in office automation, and information needs of sports coaches, bilingual school students and education administrators.



Left to right- rear: Professor WF Mandle, Dr Graeme Osborne, John Langmore, Member for Fraser, Vice-Chancellor Roger Scott, Dr Glen Lewis. Front: Dr Patricia Gillard, Dr Maxine K Rochester, Ian Mathews.

Photograph taken at CCIR Launch. Photograph: *Malcolm Bodley.*

CCIR will also communicate its research findings to the interested public via seminars, workshops, public lectures, and publications.

For a copy of the first issue of the *CCIR Newsletter* and an information brochure please write to the Centre for Communication and Information Research, Faculty of Communication, University of Canberra, PO Box 1, Belconnen, ACT 2616, or telephone (06) 252 2008.

Dr Maxine K Rochester
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EVENTS

NATIONAL

29-31 May. 7th Conference for Librarians in the Criminal Justice System. Burgmann College, ANU, ACT. Contact: John Myrtle, Librarian, Australian Institute of Criminology, PO Box 28, Woden, ACT 2606 (06) 274 0264.

19-20 July. National Library Staff Development seminar. SACAE, Underdale Campus. Contact: The Convener, Jane Hiscock, c/ The SACAE Library, Holbrooks Road, Underdale, SA 5032 (08) 354 6357, fax (08) 354 6699.

• **1-4 September 1991.** National Special and Law Librarians' Conference, National Convention Centre, Canberra. Planning now underway. Contact: Rosemary Bell, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade Library (06) 261 2965. Pat Stone, Defence Information Services (06) 266 2258.

• **30 September-5 October. ALIA 1st Biennial Conference 1990.** Perth Concert Hall, Perth. Contact: Conference Organiser, Promaco Conventions, 9/890 Canning Hwy, Applecross, WA 6153 (09) 364 8311.

NEW SOUTH WALES

31 May. Seminar in Librarianship and Information Science. Speaker: Dr Barbara Poston-Anderson. Blockbusters: providing information for children. UTS, Kuringai Campus, Lindfield — small lecture theatre. 1 pm-2.30 pm. Contact: Helen Gilkes (02) 413 8336.

• **31 May.** School Libraries Section. **Gwen Gawith workshop.** Practical display and presentation. NSW Department of School Education Conference Centre, 3a Smalls Road, Ryde. 4.30 pm-9 pm. \$20 ALIA members, \$30 non-members (includes dinner). Contact: Niki Kallenberger, 66 George Street, Homebush, NSW 2140 (02) 808 9456 (W), (02) 76 7889 (H).

• **2 June.** School Libraries Section. **Gwen Gawith workshop.** Information skills and the missing links: Imagination, motivation and self-esteem. NSW Department of School Education Head Office Library, Signature Tower, 2-10 Wentworth Street, Parramatta. 9 am-3.30 pm. \$40 ALIA members, \$60 non-members (includes lunch and teas). Contact: Niki Kallenberger, 66 George Street, Homebush, NSW 2140 (02) 808 9456 (W), (02) 76 7889 (H).

• **5 June.** Library Technicians Section. **Committee Meeting.** Fisher Library, University of Sydney. Common Room,

Level 5. 5.30 pm. Contact: Jan Harris (02) 699 1855.

• **5-12 June.** School Libraries Section. Gwen Gawith — on tour throughout NSW. Resource-based learning: how can we ensure the focus is on the student? South Wagga Public School, Wagga Wagga (5 June). 4.30 pm-9 pm. Cost: TBA. Contact: Sandra Lucas (069) 21 2947. Murray High School, Albury (6 June). 4.30 pm-9 pm. Cost: TBA. Contact: Lyn Keys (060) 25 4711. Wollongong High School (7 June). 4 pm-7 pm. Free to ISLA members, \$10 for others. Dinner to follow at participant's own expense. Contact: Doug Jenkins (042) 56 1888. Trustcott Library, Charles Sturt University, Bathurst (12 June). 4.45 pm-9 pm. \$15 (dinner included). Contact: Susan Hannigan (063) 62 1677 or 63 1304.

5-27 June. Insearch/DIALOG Seminars. Medline (5 June), Introductory System (27 June), in Sydney. Contact (02) 218 9790.

6 June. State Library of NSW. 'Conservation Access' workshop: Looking after paper and documents. 9 am-4.30 pm. Booking essential. \$70. Contact: Helen Price (02) 230 1445.

13 June. State Library of NSW. 'Conservation Access' workshop: Preservation of photographic collections. 9 am-4.30 pm. Booking essential. \$70. Contact: Helen Price (02) 230 1445.

• **13 June.** School Libraries Section. Gwen Gawith — on tour throughout NSW. The question 'why read?' is addressed from the child's point of view and draws on ideas in *Reading alive!* Orana Heights Public School, Dubbo. 4.30 pm-8 pm. \$10 (dinner included). Contact: Maureen Nicol (068) 82 4655.

• **14 June.** NSW Branch. **Council Meeting.** Library Council Room, Mitchell Wing, State Library of NSW (up the marble staircase). 6 pm start. Contact: Julie Young (02) 230 1448.

14 June. Seminar in Librarianship and Information Science. Speaker: Susan Edwards. The Marketing Concept and the Information Professional. UTS, Kuring-gai Campus, Lindfield — small lecture theatre. 1 pm-2.30 pm. Contact: Helen Gilkes (02) 413 8336.

18 June. Working Party on Library Provision in Higher Education Institutions. **Public Meeting.** Council Room, Level 4, Tower Building, Broadway Campus, University of Technology, Sydney. 9.30 am. Contact: Margaret Henty (06) 249 2994.

• **19 June.** School Libraries Section. Gwen Gawith — on tour throughout NSW. 1-day seminar, repeated from Sydney, 2 June. Alstonville High School, Alstonville. 9.30 am-3.30 pm. Cost: TBA. Contact: Kathy McDowell (066) 53 3077.

20 June. State Library of NSW. 'Conservation Access' **workshop:** Repairing documents and maps (prerequisite). 9 am-4.30 pm. Booking essential. \$70. Contact: Helen Price (02) 230 1445.

22 June. Parliamentary Library's first **Open Day** for public and interested

colleagues to commemorate the Library's 150th anniversary. Parliament House, Macquarie Street, Sydney. 9 am-4 pm. Contact: R L Cope (02) 230 2380.

• **3 July.** Librarian Technicians Section **meeting.** Australian Museum Library, 3rd Floor, William Street entrance. 5.30 pm. Contact: Jan Harris (02) 699 1855.

18 July. Australian Society of Archivists NSW Branch. Seminar. A paper for the people: A Seminar on recycled and permanent paper. Australian Society of Archivists NSW Branch. State Library of NSW, John Metcalfe Auditorium. 9 am-4 pm. \$40, Students \$25. Contact: Helen Ahern (02) 660 7979 or Angela McGing (02) 313 6799.

• **20 July.** NSW Cataloguers' Section in association with School of Library and Information Studies **1/2 day Seminar.** Speakers: Kathryn Davis (UTS, Kuring-gai Campus) and Dorothy Kass (Cumberland College, University of Sydney). UTS, Kuring-gai Campus. Introduction to Dewey 20. \$20. 9.15 am-12.45 pm. Contact: Cherin Sauterel (02) 697 2618 by 13 July.

22-24 July. Libraries and Expert Systems: A workshop and conference. Charles Sturt University, Wagga. Contact: Craig McDonald, School of Information Studies, Charles Sturt University — Riverina, PO Box 588, Wagga Wagga, NSW 2650, telephone (069) 22 2594, fax (069) 22 2733.

VICTORIA

29 May. InMagic Users Group meeting. Venue: TBA. 4.30 pm. Contact: Kerrie Scholes (03) 341 9416 or Fiona Finlayson (03) 654 1411.

30 May. Working Party on Library provision in Higher Education Institutions. **Public meeting.** Seminar Room, Baillieu Library, University of Melbourne. 9.30 am. Contact: Max Borchardt (03) 813 3844.

7 June. **CSIRO AUSTRALIS.** Advanced User Training Course. CSIRO, 314 Albert Street, East Melbourne. \$175. Contact: (03) 418 7307.

• **12 June.** Health Libraries Section. **General Meeting:** Developing an AV Collection. Abbotsford Campus Library, La Trobe University, St Helier's Street, Abbotsford. Speaker: Mr Gaetano Raiti, AV Librarian, Abbotsford Campus Library, La Trobe University. 6 for 6.30 pm.

13-14 June. **Insearch/DIALOG Seminars.** Patents (13 June), Introductory System (14 June), in Melbourne. Contact (02) 218 9790.

• **20 June.** School Libraries Section **meeting.** Statewide School Library Support Centre, 67 High Street, Prahran. 5.30 pm-7 pm. Contact: Beverly Pianta (03) 521 1721 (W), (03) 386 2808 (H).

• **21 June.** Victorian Branch **Winter Christmas Cocktail Party.** Clichy. 9 Peel Street, Collingwood. Special guest:

Warren Horton. Awards to be presented! Prizes to be won! Flyer to follow. 6 pm-9 pm. \$25 (food and drinks). Contact: Max Borchardt (03) 813 3844, Jan Wright (03) 628 2460.

28-29 June. **CSIRO AUSTRALIS.** New User Training Course. CSIRO, 314 Albert Street, East Melbourne. \$350. Contact: (03) 418 7307.

• **29 June.** Victorian Branch. Marketing Libraries and Information Services — **a seminar.** Guest Speaker: Phillip Morgan, RMIT Marketing Group; John Zeigler, Kuczynski & Zeigler. Australian Institute of Management, St Leonards Avenue, St Kilda. ALIA members \$70, non-members \$95, students \$40. Contact: Sue Noble or Jarmila Hava (03) 811 0389.

• **18 July.** Special Libraries Section. **Inside DA: Books, Journals and CD Innovations.** Here is your opportunity to visit DA's new premises and view demonstrations of new data bases on CD-ROM. DA, 648 Maroondah Highway, Mitcham. 5.30 for 6 pm. Contact: Caroline Beatty (DA) (03) 873 4411.

28 August. **InMagic Users Group** meeting. Venue: TBA. 4.30 pm. Contact: Kerrie Scholes (03) 341 9416 or Fiona Finlayson (03) 654 1411.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

30-31 May. **Insearch/DIALOG Seminars.** Quick Reference (30 May), Introductory System (31 May), in Adelaide. Contact (02) 218 9790.

• **20 June.** Information Science Section. Technology at the information desk: OPAC, ABN, CD-ROM...? **Panel discussion.** Seminar Room B, Barr Smith Library. 4 pm-5.30 pm. Contact: Kevin Griffin (08) 223 8732.

• **21 June.** Cataloguers' Section. **'Sait Serials Module'.** 2 pm-5 pm. Contact: Jay Douglas (08) 343 3317.

• **18 July.** Information Science Section. **Show and tell:** what's new in info. tech. SACAE (Magill) Library User Education Room. 3 pm-5 pm. Contact: Barbara Blacoe (08) 333 9457.

19-20 July. National Library Staff Development seminar. SACAE, Underdale Campus. Contact: The Convener, Jane Hiscock, c/ The SACAE Library, Holbrooks Road, Underdale, SA 5032, telephone (08) 354 6357, fax (08) 354 6699.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

• **12 June.** School Libraries Section. 'CD-ROM for School Libraries', **seminar and demonstrations.** Perth Modern Senior High School. 5 pm-7.15 pm. Around \$10. Refreshments provided. Contact: Margaret Phillips (09) 405 1300 or Dallas Harrower (WACAE) (09) 386 0332.

18-29 June. Archives Administration 10-day course. Alexander Library Building, Perth Cultural Centre. \$500. Contact: Kandy-Jane Henderson, State Archives

of WA, Alexander Library Building, Perth Cultural Centre (09) 427 3371.

• **19 June.** Library Technician's Section **meeting.** Alexander Library Building. 6 pm. Contact: Maureen McAllister, 11 Olebury Street, Nollamara, WA 6061.

• **20 June.** WA Branch. **Induction know how** — what to do as the employer, what not to do as the employee, and the part for the 'new' member. Technology Park. 6.30 pm-8.30 pm, sandwiches/coffee 5.30 pm. \$45. Registration forms available from WA local office or contact: Christine Martin (09) 451 0831. Professional development enquiries contact: Viv Edmeades (09) 344 5474.

• **25 June.** Special Libraries Section. **Sundowner.** Lobby Bar, Orchard Hotel. 5.30 pm. Contact Marie Luffman (09) 220 0444.

QUEENSLAND

• **1 June.** Qld Branch. **1/2-day seminar.** Help! I need a map. Topographic/Cadastral Maps, Geophysical maps, Supermap and State Library Historical Maps. State Library Theaterette. 1-5pm. ALIA members \$15, non members \$20, students \$10. Contact: Deanne Dorn (07) 237 1442

• **5 June.** Library Technicians **meeting.** Library, BCAE, Kelvin Grove Campus. 6 pm.

• **12 June.** Qld Branch. **Council Meeting.** Room R306, Resource Centre, Kelvin Grove Campus — Brisbane CAE. 5.30 pm. Contact: Brenda Simpson (07) 354 1400.

• **19 June.** Qld Branch. **Freedom of Information.** Room 317, Kelvin Grove (QUT formerly BCAE) Resource Centre. Speakers: Dominic McGann — The Queensland Approach. The Commonwealth Experience — speaker to be announced. 5.30 for 6pm. Contact: Deanne Dorn (07) 237 1442.

• **27 or 28 June.** Special Libraries Group. **Wanted:** expressions of interest for attending a **workshop** on Evaluation and Performance indicators in libraries, by Brenda McConchie. Training rooms, 4th floor, 232 Adelaide Street, Brisbane. Time: TBA. Contact: Diana Rylatt (07) 233 6544.

• **25 July.** UCRLS. **Seminar** (full day): Sex, Fibs and Videotapes: towards the electronic library. Contact: Moira Newman, Griffith University (07) 875 7283.

ACT

• **29 May.** Canberra Online users group. **Demonstration** of RINSE and ANGAM2 datafiles. Australian Archives, Mitchell. Contact: Geraldine Triffitt (06) 246 1177.

• **18-19 June.** **CSIRO AUSTRALIS.** New User Training Course. University of Canberra. Cost: \$350. Contact: (03) 418 7307.

• **20 June.** ACT Branch. **Pre-Council Meeting.** Seminar Room, R G Menzies Building, ANU. 12.15 pm.

• **19-21 June.** **Insearch DIALOG Seminars.** Agriculture and Environment (19 June), Introductory System (20 June), Social Sciences/Humanities (21 June), in Canberra. Contact (02) 218 9790.

• **22 June.** ACT Branch. **Reception** and student prize **award evening.** ALIA House. 5.30 pm. All branch members, general councillors and visitors welcome.

• **26 June.** **CSIRO AUSTRALIS.** Advanced User Training Course. University of Canberra. \$175. Contact: (03) 418 7307.

TASMANIA

• **28 June.** Tasmanian Branch. 'Are Teacher-Librarians In Crisis?' **Joint ALIA-TTLA meeting with panel.** Department of Library and Information Studies. 7.30 pm. Contact: Robin Goodram (002) 25 1626.

NORTHERN TERRITORY

• **May.** Special Libraries Section — **DIYCE** (Do It Yourself Continuing Education) Program — Inmagic — Getting started and going places. Contact: Rosemary Harbridge (089) 89 7278.

• **29 May.** Special Libraries Section — **DIYCE** — Tour of new ABC facilities. Contact: Yvonne Forrest (089) 81 7011.

• **13 June.** NT Branch **Council meeting.** Meeting Room, Northern Territory University — Casuarina Campus. 4.30 pm.

• **25-28 June.** **Insearch/DIALOG Seminars.** Agriculture and Environment (25 June), Introductory System (26 June), Beyond the Basics (27 June), Quick Reference (28 June), in Darwin. Contact (02) 218 9790.

• **July.** **CSIRO AUSTRALIS.** New User Training Course. \$350. Dates and venue in Darwin TBA. Contact: (03) 418 7307.

• **July.** **CSIRO AUSTRALIS.** Advanced User Training Course. \$175. Date and venue in Darwin TBA. Contact: (03) 418 7307.

INTERNATIONAL

• **9-14 June 1990.** SLA's 81st Annual Conference 'The information professional: an unparalleled resource'. Location Pittsburgh, PA, USA. Contact: Special Libraries Association, (202) 234-4700.

• **11-14 June 1990.** 8th Congress of Southeast Asian Librarians. 'New challenges in library services in the developing world'. Contact: Ms Mastini Hardjoprakoso, Chairperson, Executive Board 8th CONSAL, c/ National Library of Indonesia, Fax: (62-21) 310 3554.

• **25-29 June 1990.** 3rd Asia-Pacific World Publishing and Direct Marketing Congress and Exhibition 'Pubprint '90'. Venue: Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre. Contact: Jim Clarke, Asia-Pacific World Publishing Congress Secretariat, PO Box 139, Caulfield

South, Victoria 3162 (055) 62 1144, fax (055) 62 0389.

• **8-12 July 1990.** 19th Annual International Association of School Librarianship Conference. 'Bridging the Difference'. Umeå, Sweden. Registration: \$235. Contact: Gunilla Janlert, Umeå Skobibliotekscentral, Box 1007, S-901 20 Umeå, Sweden. Registration forms available from Lalita Brond, 5/16 Tennyson Street, St Kilda, Victoria 3182.

• **15-16 August 1990.** IFLA Division of Bibliographic Control. Seminar on Bibliographic Records. Stockholm. Contact: ALIA.

• **16-19 August 1990.** Art Libraries satellite meeting 1990, adjoining the 56th IFLA General Conference 1990, 18-24 August. Knowledge as a cultural dimension in society. Contact: Charlotte Hanner, Swedish Art Bibliography, Institute of Conservation, University of Göteborg, Bastionsplatsen 2, S-411 08 Göteborg, Sweden +46 31 63 47 18, fax +46 31 63 47 03.

• **18-24 August 1990.** IFLA — 56th General Conference, in Stockholm. Contact: ALIA.

• **2-7 September 1990.** 22nd IBBY Biennial Conference 1990. 'Literacy through Literature: Children's Books make a difference'. Williamsburg, Virginia USA. Contact: Ena Noël (02) 32 5075.

• **17-20 September 1990.** 3rd International Conference. 'Information 90'. Contact: Information 90, c/ Concorde Services Limited, 10 Wendell Road, London W12 9RT, UK. Telephone (01) 743 3106. Fax (01) 743 1010.

• **24-26 September 1990.** Information in Chemistry, Pharmacology and Patents. Centre des Congres, Montreux, Switzerland. Contact: Harry Collier Infonortics Ltd. 9A High Street, Calne, Wiltshire SN11 0BS, UK. Telephone 44 249 816 407. Fax 44 249 813 656.

• **24-28 September 1990.** 6th International Congress on Medical Librarianship and Pre-Congress Seminar, New Delhi, India. Contact: SK Anand, Secretary General, National Organising Committee, 6ICML, c/- World Health Organisation, I P Estate, Ring Road, New Delhi 110 002, India. Fax: 91 11 331 8607. Registration forms now available.

• **15-18 July 1991.** The Second International Information Research Conference. Churchill College, Cambridge. Contact: Karen Merry, Multi-Media Information Conference, The British Library R & D Department, 2 Sheraton Street, London, W1V 4BH, United Kingdom, telephone 071 323 7050, fax 071 323 7251.

• **9-12 July 1991.** Library Technicians National Conference. 'Bringing the pieces together: communication, consolidation and change'. Manly Pacific, Sydney. Contact: Jean Bailey (02) 692 4691.

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