

The Source

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Keeping tabs on tourism

Sports and tourism went their separate ways, when the *Australian leisure index* split into the Australian Sports Commission's *Australian sports index* and Footscray Institute of Technology's *Australian tourism index*. The first publication of the latter, issued in 1990, provides annotated references to a wide range of printed and audio-visual sources and casts its net truly widely — even brochures and posters. The 1989 issue contains a staggering 2481 entries, with subject, author and title indexes. Copies of *Australian tourism index 1989* are available from PO Box 64, Footscray, Vic 3011 at \$40. (ISSN 1033-1018)

A dauntless dozen

In *I always wanted to be a tap dancer* twelve women with quite severe disabilities talk about growing up in a world in which 'they have to fight to be accepted'. The story of one of the women, who is blind, provided the title: she learned tap dancing for 10 years, and reached gold medal standard. Her story, and those of the other eleven women, with different disabilities and from differing backgrounds, are told in their own words; it makes for fascinating reading. There is also an extensive directory appended which will be of most use to New South Wales readers, covering a range of services and issues of relevance to women with disabilities. *I always wanted to be a tap dancer*, edited by Annee Lawrence, was published in 1989 by the New South Wales Women's Advisory Council. It is also available in an audio version produced by the Royal Blind Society. The book and cassette package, or the book only, cost \$12.95 and are available from the NSW Women's Advisory Council, Level 3, 31-39 Macquarie Street, Parramatta, NSW 2150. (ISBN 07305 6398 7)

The Pillowbook of Timoshenko Aslanides

Inspired by the tenth century Japanese classic, *The pillowbook of Sei Shonagon*,

Australian poet Timoshenko Aslanides has recorded his observations and impressions of Australia in a series of 48 poems, published as *Australian things* by Penguin Books. He deals with things which inspire the whole range of emotions from delight to disgust, with a wealth of local colour made more accessible by helpful footnotes and an index covering people, other living things and places. *Australian things* by Timoshenko Aslanides was published in 1990 by Penguin Books at \$9.99. (ISBN 0 14 012832 8)

The growth of CD-ROMs

The number of titles on CD-ROM listed in the *CD-ROM directory* has doubled with each annual edition since it was first published in 1986. The 1991 edition includes details of 1522 products, and of 1840 companies associated with the industry, and is international in coverage — there are 46 entries for Australian companies, for example. An amazing variety of subjects is covered, ranging from playing at the Australian Golf Club with Jack Nicklaus to Fun-to-Make Box-Lunches, tune clips and seals of the US Government. Entries show publishers, sources, subject matter, hardware requirements, update information and prices. *The CD-ROM directory 1991* is published by TFPL Publishing and is available from DA Books and Journals at \$115 for the book, \$175 for the CD-ROM or \$250 for both. (ISBN 1 870889 23 1)

Mixed bag

Keeping fit while caring by Christine Darby gives practical advice, with step by step illustrations, on lifting disabled persons safely, and on exercise for carers. Highly recommended by physiotherapists and recently drawn to my attention by a correspondent in Orange. Published by the Family Welfare Association in the UK in 1984 at \$3.95. (ISBN 0 900954 24 8)

A field guide to Aboriginal rock engravings by Peter Stanbury and John Clegg, pays special attention to examples in the Sydney region. Where some of the engravings can be seen, what they show and what they may mean, and some of David Campbell's evocative poetry. Published in 1990 by Sydney University Press at \$19.95. (ISBN 0 424 00147 0)

Aye aye, Minister by Robert Hyslop traces Australian Naval administration from 1939 to 1959, from the outbreak of war to the transfer of the Navy Office from Melbourne to Canberra. Published by AGPS Press in 1990 at \$29.95. (ISBN 0 644 12693 0)

The order of things by John Barnes is a new account of the life of Joseph Furphy, the self-styled 'half-bushman and half-bookworm', author of *Such is life*. A fine biography. Published in 1990 by Oxford

University Press at \$39.95. (ISBN 0 19 553187 6)

At your service is a new directory of the smorgasbord of services provided by the State Library of New South Wales. Contact numbers, outlines of activities, publications. Copies of this 50-page booklet are available from the Education Officer, SLNSW, Macquarie Street, Sydney 2000, phone (02) 230 1603. (ISSN 0816-4878)

An introduction to book publishing by some people who ought to know — the Australian Book Publishers Association. 20 pages of limpid prose on the publishing organisation, with charts, a useful glossary, and basic information on the publishing process. \$10 (\$8 for ABPA members) post free, from 161 Clarence Street, Sydney, NSW 2000. (ISBN 0 9599796 6 2)

The changing world of maps

There have been many changes in cartographic practices since the publication of the third edition of the National Library's *Map collections in Australia: A directory* in 1980. The delights of digital data; dispersal of collections in some institutions; reorganised government agencies; and the inevitable changes of address, phone numbers and contact names. A new edition of this very useful reference work is therefore most welcome. There is an up-to-date outline of the main mapping authorities of Australia, many of which were born or reborn since 1980, followed by the body of the directory: a State-by-State guide to collections, with names, numbers, opening hours, subject and geographic areas, access conditions and bibliographical and other publications. A select list of map reference material lists 58 items, including Australian map catalogues, bibliographies, journals and atlases published since 1980. There is a list of government and commercial map publishers, and there are subject geographic and collection indexes, all very clearly set out and easy to use, as befits a standard reference work. *Map collections in Australia: a directory*, fourth edition, compiled by Maura O'Connor, was published by the National Library of Australia in 1991 and costs \$25 including postage and handling. (ISBN 0 642 10483 2)

How did you manage without it?

The cover describes it as '...a landmark in Australian publishing,' and for once you can believe the blurb. *Subject guide to Australian children's books in print 1991* is one publication children's and school librarians must have ached for years. Edited by John Simkin, this new publication from D W Thorpe lists

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3430 in-print Australian children's titles, under 1800 subject headings, with 1035 cross-references. Simkin indicates the readership range for each title — from preschool to year 10 — and divides major subject areas by genre. Accuracy in assigning headings is sometimes a problem with such compilations, but this one seems to hit the nail on the head consistently — not so surprising when you read that the editor has actually seen at least half of the items listed, stalwart soul, and tells us he has checked bibliographies, publishers' catalogues, review journals, libraries, private collections and bookshops in the process. Work is now proceedings on the next edition, for Thorpe propose to issue it annually. Congratulations to a painstaking editor and an enterprising publisher. *Subject guide to Australian children's books in print 1991* is published by D W Thorpe and costs \$27.50. (ISBN 1036-286X; ISBN 0 909532 85 0)

Short 'n' sweet

IMIS: Instructional Materials Information System thesaurus for special education is now in its second edition, and is adapted from overseas thesauri, like its 1980 predecessor, to suit local needs, specifically those of Queensland educators using IMIS. Listing of descriptors by category, list of scope notes, rotated index of descriptors. Published in 1980 by the Information Networking Centre, Division of Special Services, Department of Education, Queensland, 72 Cornwall Street, Annerley, Qld 4103. It costs \$10. (No ISBN)

They get heaps by Mary Edmunds, is a study of white attitudes to Aboriginal people in Roebourne, Western Australia, and 'looks at the role of government bureaucracy, local government, the police and the courts, the media and day-to-day community practices that further entrench the social distance between the black and white communities'. Published by Aboriginal Studies Press in its Institute Report Series in 1989, but still topical. \$15. (ISBN 0 85575 214 9; ISSN 1030-6544)

Stories for sharing by Charles Arcodia is a collection of very short short stories, selected to illustrate a variety of themes — there is a very full theme index — and to serve as discussion starters or inspiration for talks and even sermons. Arcodia has drawn from Buddhist, Christian and Hindu traditions, as well as retelling Chinese, Sufi and Hasidic stories. Published in 1991 by E J Dwyer at \$14.95. (ISBN 0 85574 348 4)

Using OCLC by Robert T Warwick and Patricia E Jensen is an instructional workbook for those 'seeking to learn the basic elements of the Online Union Catalog and the Cataloging Subsystem of the OCLC Online System'. Getting

started, searching and displaying results, preparing records, online editing and completing transactions, complete with exercises (and answers). Published in the 'How-to-do-it Manuals for Libraries' series by Neal-Schuman in 1990 at US\$35. (ISBN 1 55570 037 3)

Swim for fun and health by Jean Eastlake 'is for everyone who wants to get fit' without the pain and strain of more strenuous activities: exercises to improve swimming skills, swimming strokes and common faults, snorkelling, swimming during pregnancy, water safety, asthmatics, arthritics and diabetics and swimming and much more. A nice book, full of good tips and uncommon sense. Published by Fraser Publications, PO Box 1045, Ivanhoe, Vic 3079 at \$14.99. (ISBN 0 9588384 2 9)

Australia and the Greenhouse Effect by A J Baker is an annotated bibliography of 51 items, published mainly between 1986 and 1989, dealing specifically with impacts or possible impacts on our own continent. Includes journal articles, monographs and major features in popular periodicals — like a 1989 major feature in the mass circulation *Australian women's weekly*. Has subject, author and title indexes. Published in 1990 by the Division of Library and Information Studies, Institute of Education, University of Melbourne and costing \$11 post free. (ISBN 0 908176 17 8)

'I had one too' by Barbara Baird is an oral history of abortion in South Australia before 1970, when the law changed. Nurses, backyard abortionists, doctors and police, as well as women who had had abortions, were interviewed for this history of a hitherto largely undocumented topic. All the interview tapes for this project have been deposited with the J D Somerville Oral History Collection in the Mortlock Library of Australiana. Published by the Women's Studies Unit of Flinders University and available from the Family Planning Association of South Australia, 17 Phillips Street, Kensington, SA 5068. It costs \$10. (ISBN 0 7258 0481 5)

Automated acquisitions: issues for the present and future, edited by Amy Dykeman and Bill Katz, contains contributions on NOTIS, INNOVACQ, Geac, Dynix, OCLC, microcomputer applications and dialling *Books in print plus*, and more. Published in 1989 as a monograph, and simultaneously as *The acquisition librarian*, no 1 1989, by Haworth Press. The hardback costs \$39.95. (ISBN 0 86656 913 8)

Bibliography of Brotherhood of St Laurence publications and papers, compiled by Helen Scott and published by the Brotherhood in 1990, records and in a way celebrates 60 years of documenting Australian poverty by this highly respect organisation. Covers the Brotherhood's own publications, and contributions by Brotherhood staff published by others. It also includes references to a wealth of unpublished material. Available from the BSL at 67 Brunswick Street, Fitzroy, Vic 3065, telephone (03) 417 2691. (ISBN 0 947081 44 5)

Performance indicators for community organisations by Tony Mayo is a straightforward 35-page guide, with plenty of examples from Australia and overseas, worksheets and a good simplified glossary. Published in 1990 by the Council of Social Service of New South Wales (NCOSS), 66 Albion Street, Surrey Hills, NSW 2010. \$6.50. (ISBN 1 875326 02 2)

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9251: Information management in public and private sector enterprises.

6 – 13 April 1992, Leicester.

A course intended for managers of information services and libraries in industry, commerce or government institutions and other public sector bodies.

This course has been designed to provide a practical programme, supplemented by lectures from leaders in the various fields, to assist managers in this increasingly challenging environment.

The course will be directed jointly by Dr Dennis Lewis, Chairman of his own company, Applied Information Management Ltd and Dr William Martin, Head of the School of Finance and Information, The Queen's University of Belfast.

Course fee: £1100 (residential) £680 (non-residential)

9249: Library staff management and development.

10 – 22 May 1992, Hove.

A seminar intended for senior managers in library and information services, personnel managers, training and development officers. It will cover all relevant aspects of personnel management and development for professional and support workers.

The seminar will be directed by Ronald Edwards, Liaison and Training Officer in the Department of Information and Library Studies at the University College of Wales.

Seminar fee £720. Accommodation charge: £715. Total fee: £1435.

This is a residential seminar and the total fee is fully inclusive of academic programme, accommodation and all meals.

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