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• Sept Tas Northern Areas Regional Group. Tendering for library services part 2. Speaker: Karen Bell. Venue: La Cantine, George St. Date and time: to be advised, Contact: Leonie Prevost, ph (003) 362 639.

• 21/9 Tas Library Technician Section AGM and mini-conference. Time: 10.30–4.30pm. Venue: Man O'Ross Hotel Function Room, Ross. Contact: Kerrie Dick, ph (004) 286 062.

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1/9-1/10 Internet Training Institute. Training sessions each week designed specifically for librarians by librarians. Choose from 4 courses including 'Train the trainer', from \$79. For more information contact: Ph: (03) 9349 4994 (City); (03) 9791 6400 (Dandenong introductory courses only), elsep@informit.com.au or Richard Siegersma, Ph: (03) 9804 000; Fax: 9822 0278: e-mail: rsiegers@ozemail.com.au.

3–27/9 Insearch/Knight-Ridder Information Seminars. Chemical Searching for Non-Chemists (3/9), Introductory DIALOG (4/9), Introductory DIALOG (26/9), DataStar/ProBase Workshop (27/9). Melbourne contact: (02) 9212 2867.

5/9 FLIS Training Pty Ltd. People Management. Cost: \$170. 9.15–5pm. Monash Uni Conference Centre, Level 7, 30 Collins Street, Melbourne. Contact: Elizabeth Yates, ph (03) 9813 1925

• 11/9 Disabilities Interest Group. Independent Living Centre. General tour and talk, 3.15pm. RSVP: Jillian Morley, ph (03) 9521 3400 by 6/9.

• 17/9 Geelong Regional Group Developing CD ROM in an Internet environment — does it still have a role? Speaker: Ed Bennett from SilverPlatter. 5.30pm for 6.00pm. Woolstores Campus (Deakin Uni), Library Room, 1 Geringhap Street, Geelong Contact: Mike Curry, Geelong Regional Library, ph: (052) 221 900 (bh).

• 11–13/10 Rural and Isolated Libraries' SIG calendar for 1996. Ballarat Vic, after biennial conference in Melbourne. Theme: Networks: Communication highway or communication bypass? For library professionals in small isolated and/or rural libraries or information services, including specials isolated by subject or position within a large organisation. Further Information Secretary, ph/fax (053) 333 258. Limit: 30 participants.

12/10 Seventh Library History Forum. Themes: 100 years of the profession, professional issues, professionalism. RMIT, Storey Hall, Melbourne. Time: 9.15-4pm. Cost: \$80 for attendance and proceedings. Contact: Barbara McMull, ph (03) 9660 5818, fax (03) 9660 5837, email barbaram@bf.rmit.edu.au.

• 16/10 Geelong Regional Group.
The future of librarianship. Guest Speaker: Professor Bill Martin, Head, RMIT Dept of Information Management and Library Studies. Dinner meeting, 6pm for 6.30pm. Venue

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Antarctic journeys exhibition

ntarctic journeys, a new exhibition of rarely-seen material from the vast collections of the State Library of New South Wales, will be on show in the Mitchell Galleries from 2 September.

Through original manuscripts and diaries, maps, watercolours and telegraphs, the exhibition will tell the story of early explorers and settlement in Antarctica. Original photographs by David Moore and Frank Hurley will also be included in the show.

Historic expeditions to Antarctica will be highlighted to give an insight into what explorers experienced when they arrived on the isolated continent, how they recorded their expeditions and how they shared their experiences.

Of national importance is Captain Cook's voyage in the late 18th century on which he wrote to James Walker describing how he had disproven the concept of a great southern continent.

Maps, photographs and



King penguins at Macquarie Island, 1994

diaries of Mawson's Australasian Antarctic Expedition will be displayed along with photographs and diaries of the Australian establishment of Mawson base, the first permanent base to be set up in east Antarctica. Diaries of Robert Falcon Scott's sledging journey through southern Antarctica will provide an account of his experiences on the first inland Antarctic trip. Photographs, diaries, work books

and artefacts brought back by Estelle Lazer, the first woman archaeologist to work in Antarctica (Heard Island), will also be on show.

The rare materials used in this show are unique Antarctic treasures from the State Library's collection. The exhibition will be on display until 24 November 1996 and admission is free.

Monster book sale

Beatriz Aroche

he Sydney Institute of Technology library at Ultimo will be holding a monster book fair on Friday 13 September from 9:00am to 8:30pm and Saturday 14 September from 9:30am to 4:30pm at the ground floor of the library, building D, Mary Ann Street, Ultimo.

The Sydney Institute of Technology Ultimo library, previously Sydney Technical College, is the oldest TAFE library in Australia. Specialist technical books and thousands of more recent publications that cover

the wide range of subjects taught in TAFE will be on sale. A large number of these are surplus items from the closure of the Sydney Institute of Technology Dover Heights campus in December last year.

Books are priced from 50 cents to \$5.00 and proceeds from the sale will be used to improve current library services through the provision of additional technology and resources.

For more information ring me on (02) 9217 3017 or (02) 9217 3915.

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