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4/6 Blackwell's technology evening. *Overview and demonstrations of new WWW systems: Electronic Journal Navigator, Serials CONNECT and Collection Manager for Monographs.* Rydges Capital Hill, Cnr Canberra Avenue and National Circuit, Forrest, 4pm. Contact: Margaret Shoebridge or Rhonda Lelliott, phone (02) 9948 7300, 1800 251 699, shoebrige@blackwell.com.au. RSVP 30/5.

• **12/6–11/12 ACT Special Libraries section**. *Librarian's Libations* come along to the Hyatt, at 5.30pm and have a noggin or two with the Specials. Every first payday of the month (12/6; 10/7; 7/8; 4/9; 2/10; 13/11; 11/12). Contact: Libby Coates, ph (06) 266 2346.

• **18/6 APSIG**. *Amelia McKenzie will talk on Understanding Indonesia: three years as the NLA's regional officer, Asia — impressions and highlights of Indonesia from 1994–96.* NLA, 4th Floor, Conference Room, 12.30–1.30pm. Contact: Marie Sexton, ph (06) 262 1519, m.sexton@nla.gov.au.

• **18/6–17/12 ACT Branch meeting**. 5.30pm, NLA, Mezzanine Room. (18/6; 16/7; 13/8; 17/9; 15/10; 12/11; 17/12). Contact: Lisa Spillers, ph (06) 249 3388, lisas@library.anu.edu.au

• **20/6–15/8 ACT Cataloguers section**. *Conference planning meeting*. All cataloguers welcome. 12.30–1.30pm, National Library of Australia, Mezzanine Room A/B (20/6), Training Room A/B (18/7; 15/8). Contact: Cheryl Bowman, ph (06) 252 6606, fax (06) 252 6906, cheryl.bowman@abs.gov.au

• **24/6 ACT UCRLS section**. *Exchanging places: international job exchanges.* Find out all about it from Ted Waller (USA) and Rose Clune (Ireland), currently at ANU Library. ANU, Menzies Library, McDonald Room. 12.30pm. Contact: Helen Roberts, ph (06) 249 4068, Helen.Roberts@library.anu.edu.au

• **27/6 ACT Library Technician section**. *Cool Yule: traditional yuletide fare.* Canberra Workers Club, The Fraser Room. 7.30pm, $22.50 per person. RSVP by 25/7 to Edith Hackworthy, ph (06) 268 8120, e-hackworthy@adfa.oz.au

• **10/7 ACT Branch**. *Winter dinner and awards night.* At the Lobby Restaurant, following ALIA AGM. Cost: $40, wine extra. RSVP by 5/7 with cheque to treasurer: Diane Costello, c/- CAUL, LPO Box 169, ANU Canberra 2601.

9th National Library Technicians Conference, National Convention Centre, Canberra 24–26 September 1997

The conference committee has chosen the Hyatt Hotel Canberra as the venue for the conference dinner on Thursday 25 September. When opened in 1924 this hotel provided accommodation for Parliamentarians and visitors to the National Capital. The Hotel was constructed in the prairie style of architecture, using trademark natural materials, precise angular forms, continuous horizontals punctuated by short verticals and a sense that the building belonged to the landscape.

For the next fifty years the Hotel Canberra was used by Australian prime ministers, heads of state, ambassadors, diplomats, politicians, public servants, leading journalists, commentators and business men. In the mid-1970s the Hotel was closed for business and for some years housed Government offices, before being restored and luxuriously refurbished and extended in the style of the original Australian art deco architecture.

Dr Bob Pymm (manager of collection management at the National Film and Sound Archive in Canberra) is our keynote speaker for day three of our conference the theme of which is 'The technology'. Bob has worked as a part-time teacher on the library studies course at the Canberra Institute of Technology since 1985 when he started teaching 'Library Automation'. He is currently delivering the unit for the last time this semester prior to the introduction of the Diploma of

Keynote speaker Dr Bob Pymm

Library and Information Studies. Bob has also been involved with several other units relating to management and organisational behaviour. Before working at Canberra Institute of Technology he taught at Sydney Technical College the unit that was quaintly called 'Introduction to data processing' (aah... for the days of punched cards).

Bob has also taught at the University of Canberra on their undergraduate and graduate library programs. He is currently working with staff from the University of New South Wales and the National Film and Sound Archive in the development of an audio-visual archiving speciality to be offered remotely from the second half of next year.

Early-bird registration for the conference close on 25 July. Registration brochures are available from Brigitte Gunn, Conference Solutions, PO Box 238, Deakin West, ACT 2600, phone: (06) 285 3000, fax: (06) 285 3001, e-mail: office@con-sol.com.

Advance notice

ALIA Board of Education, *Education forum*, 7–8 October 1997, Common Room, University House, Australian National University, Canberra

The *Education forum* is designed to stimulate discussion from interested parties on future education in library and information studies. It is intended that the *Education forum* identify and canvass strategic outcomes which will shape and develop future education in library and information studies.

These strategic outcomes will be incorporated into the Board of Education's 'Strategic review of library and information studies education' leading the profession into the 21st Century.

Participants attending the *Education forum* will be leaders within the library and information services sector and allied disciplines. Educators, practitioners and representatives from professional and peak bodies will be invited to attend.

Themes
1. future work knowledge and skills to meet future opportunities

2. critical knowledge and skills for entry level education

The Forum will develop strategies from the two themes and will explore issues such as:

• current and forecast changes in work practices in the LIS and related areas;

• developments and initiatives in education and training in LIS and related areas, in Australia and overseas;

• government education, training, employment and information policy directions;

• the linking of knowledge and skills to changing work practices.

For more information about the Forum please contact Jennefer Nicholson at ALIA National Office, ph: (06) 285 1877, jennefer.nicholson@alia.org.au