

Making news

ISBN agency moves to Thorpe

From 1 July 1997 the Australian ISBN Agency will move from the National Library of Australia to DW Thorpe in Melbourne. All enquiries regarding the allocation of ISBNs in Australia should be now be referred to: ISBN Australia, 18 Salmon Street, Port Melbourne 3207, telephone (03) 9245 7397, fax (03) 9254 7395, isbn.agency@thorpe.com.au

Boost for NW Tasmanian access to Internet information

The Mercury, 14 June 1997

People in the North-West of Tasmania will have access to a wider range of Internet information resources

thanks to a \$100 000 boost from the Federal Government. The funding was obtained by the State Library of Tasmania and the Tasmanian Department of Education, Community and Cultural Development under the Online Public Access Initiative Program.

Library on the move

The Herald Sun (Melb), 16 June 1997, by Felicity Lewis

Nine years after the first State Library of Victoria revamp was announced, the first public space has been opened — the new Trescow-Thick information centre. The opening of the new information centre represented a mile-

stone in the life of one of Melbourne's much-loved institutions.

Libraries change lives

Crookwell Gazette, 3 June 1997

Last year the Southern Tablelands Regional Library was involved in a competition sponsored by Southern Scene, publishers of large print and audio books. Participants were invited to submit a short story, essay or poem on the theme 'Libraries change lives'. The entry from Mrs Pam Reeves of Grabben Gullen was selected as the regional winner. Mrs Reeves received a library bag with her main prize being a copy of a book of winning entries to be published later this year.



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Above: (l-r) Narelle Stone (brown), Sheryl Bastin, Kay Stafford (in the hard hat), Rosemary Rogers, and Alma Simmonds make an impression on staff and visitors to the Bendigo Regional Institute of TAFE

Getting into the spirit of Australian Library Week

Library staff at the Bendigo Regional Institute of TAFE celebrated Australian Library Week this year by decorating the library and dressing up in costumes befitting the theme, 'Libraries: a web of information'.

String webs and fake spiders were hung from the ceilings, paper spiders and webs adorned the windows and clients were instructed to squeeze a large, squeaking, plastic spider, rather than ring the bell at the circulation

desk. Institute staff were invited to a sumptuous morning tea in the library workroom on Thursday and were greeted by library staff dressed as spiders — a white-tail, redback, black widow, flower, wolf, house and jewel

spider — and a 'walking web' and 'web site under construction'. Despite some reservations from arachnid-fearing clients, the week was a great exercise in public relations and attracted coverage in the local newspaper. ■