

Ringwood East. 9-3:30pm, \$80 ALIA members, \$95 non-members, \$70 concession. Contact: Anne Girolami, ph 03 9267 0228.

• **18/7 Vic CYSS.** *Byte into the future IT: students, technology and libraries.* Melbourne Girls College, Yarra Boulevard, Richmond. Time: 9:30-4pm. Cost: \$35 ALIA members, \$45 non-members. Contact: Jill McCallum, ph 03 9298 8444, fx 03 9298 8424.

• **3/10 Vic Library Technicians section.** *State Library of Victoria tour.* Come and see the latest renovations, a behind the scenes tour to see the work of library technicians. 12:30-2pm, \$8 ALIA members, \$10 non-members (includes buffet lunch). Contact: Kerrie Kelly, ph 03 9669 9037, kerriek@slv.vic.gov.au.

WA

• **16/6-20/10 WA Library Technicians section.** *Meetings:* 16/6 — West Coast College of TAFE — Carine Campus, 6pm; 21/7 and 16/9 — LISWA, 5:30pm; 18/8 — Uni of Notre Dame, Law Library, 6pm; 20/10 — Hollywood Private Hospital Library, 6pm. Contact: Wendy Monaghan, ph 08 9427 3267, fx 08 9427 3256, wmonaghan@mail.liswa.wa.gov.au.

• **25/6-22/10 National Special Libraries section.** *Committee meetings.* Room G2, Alexander Library Building, Perth, WA at 5pm on 25/6, 23/7, 27/8, 24/9 and 22/10 in 1998. New committee members and/or observers welcome. Contact: Joyce Steveni ph 08 9366 4746, fx 08 9366 4779 stevenij@eec.com.au.

• **29/6-16/11 WA Special Libraries section.** *Committee meeting dates.* 5:30-6:30pm. Venue: TBA. 29/6, 27/7, 31/8, 28/9, 26/10, 16/11. Contact: Ling Heang ph 0418 941 861, HEANGSL@bigfoot.co.

• **15/7 WA Special Libraries section.** *Christmas in July lunch.* Venue: Miss Maids, Corner Murry and Pier Streets, 12pm. \$20.50 (pay at the door). Contact/RSVP: Elfrida Rossi, ph 08 9383 3869, millross@wantree.com.au.

• **21/8 WA Public Libraries section.** *Jean Ryding Award nominations due.* An award for excellence made to a professional librarian who has completed no more than four years professional employment in a WA Public Library. Contact: Duncan Furphy, ph 08 9411 3494, fx 08 9434 2577, cobrn1@icenet.com.au.

• **2/9 WA Local Studies section.** *Visit to the National Archives of Australia (Perth).* Contact: Julie Zuvela, ph 08 9386 6230, jzuvela@nedlands.wa.gov.au.

• **17/11 WA Library Technicians section.** *Meeting, AGM and dinner.* Venue: LISWA at 5:30pm. Contact: Wendy Monaghan, ph 08 9427 3267, fx 08 9427 3256, wmonaghan@mail.liswa.wa.gov.au.

Conference

• **25-30/10 ALIA 5th Biennial Conference.** Adelaide 98. *Pathways to knowledge.* Adelaide Convention Centre, SA. Contact: Hartley Management Group, ph 08 8363 4399, fx 08 8363 4577, sgt@ozemail.com.au.

• **26/10 National UCRLS section.** *AGM followed by tour of Jam Factory and cocktail party.* Part of the Biennial

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Making news around Australia

Selected reprints from newspapers and magazines in recent months

Internet now part of our library

Western Advocate (Bathurst), 5 May 1998

It might not be the yellow brick road, but finding your way onto the knowledge pathway during Australian Library Week is as easy as going to the Bathurst City Library in Keppel Street.

Celebrations at the library for ALW '98 include a number of 'spot prize' competitions, a pre-loved stock sale and Internet courses for seniors. Library membership and Internet access is free to anyone living in Bathurst and the Evans Shire while people from further away can enjoy

the Bathurst services through State-wide reciprocal arrangements.

Angela Wood to visit library

Narromie News and Trangie Advocate, 1 May 1998

The Macquarie Regional Library will be hosting a visit from Angela Wood as part of their Australian Library Week activities. Mrs Wood is the mother of Anna Wood, the fifteen-year-old girl who died of a drug overdose in 1995. Since Anna's death, the Wood family have worked tirelessly to establish the Anna Wood Drug and Al-

Bob Hart, *The Herald Sun* (Melbourne), 1st Edition, 4 May 1998

Libraries push power reading

THIS his may be the ideal moment — if a postcard distributed by the Australian Library and Information Association is anything to go by — for me to borrow a book.

The card is intended, apparently, to remind us that Australian library Week kicks off today. It has certainly done that.

Because it features a young lady who is, I am assured, fairly typical of librarians today.

'She has certainly raised a few eyebrows', confesses Trevor Wakely, from the Victorian branch of the national association.

'She is meant to give the impression of dynamic power in the school, public library and kids' sector.'

I knew that. But how times have changed.

Once, all librarians seemed to be dusty creatures of one sex



or another who would find you something in no time flat while making you feel like a goose for not being able to find it yourself.

The chaps wore cardigans, the ladies twin-sets. All peered sternly at you through thickish glasses. But not any more.

The librarian of today, the card reveals is an alarmingly fit young lady with a Fitzroy haircut, the waist of Elle Macpherson and a bust that would send Pamela Anderson scampering back to the plastic surgeon.

And her upper arms would indicate that she is capable not only of reaching down heavy books from high shelves, but of effortlessly raising the Kingswood while you change a tyre.

But does she represent any librarian in particular, or is she simply an amalgam of late-nineties book-minders?

'Oh, she is simply a nameless, fictional creature', said Mr Wakely, vaguely.

I note, however, from figures released by the Australian Bureau of Statistics figures, that more people use libraries each week than attend the footy.

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cohol Education Project and, more recently, Drugwatch Australia. These projects aim to inform young people about the dangers of drugs in the hope that education will prevent further tragedies.

Take advantage of Library Week: look, listen, communicate

Newcastle Post, 6 May 1998

Libraries are much more than rooms holding endless shelves of dusty books. In fact, they are just as likely to offer clients Internet access, CDs, videos, and CD ROM programs. The Newcastle Region Library, boasting the State's largest collection of music and videos and lending more than 2.12 million items annually, is no exception.

Local libraries will be a hive of activity in the coming week: Australian Library Week 1998 is bringing a host of events to the Newcastle public library system. Visiting author and renowned genealogist Janet Reakes will speak about using the Internet to trace your family tree, Tony Petsinas will be chatting on-line with visitors to the newly opened technology access centre, and a sale of surplus books from the various branches of the library raised money for the Hunter Mental Health Service and the Newcastle Region Library.

What do you know?

The Advocate (Brimbank), 29 April 1998

Australian Library Week begins on Sunday and Brimbank Council is celebrating by holding a knowledge quiz. Ten questions about Brimbank's library services will make up the quiz and the competition is open to everyone. Other activities during the week include free computer training seminars, toddler story times and puppet plays.

Brought to book

Courier Mail, 6 May 1998, Rosemary Sorenson

You're invited to a party to celebrate libraries: is that the kind of event you'd want to attend? Australian Library Week aims to conquer all of the stereotypical prejudices surrounding libraries and librarians and demonstrate how libraries truly are key stops on the 'Pathway to knowledge', which is this year's ALW theme.

Brisbane City Council libraries have seen their usage increase immensely this year, anticipating four million visitors in 1998. This has been spurred on by the pro-active role the libraries are

taking in the latest technological revolution, which has made the creation of a 'library without walls' possible.

The Queensland Library Promotion Council president, Barbara Ewers says, 'Librarians used to be gatekeepers of information. Now they are much more likely to be interested not in their own needs but in how they can best serve their clients'.

David Hinchcliffe, chair of Brisbane City Council's community policy, says that libraries are under increasing pressure to provide a balance between the needs of traditional library customers, the information needs of new customers and the costs involved in providing everything possible to both groups.

Pathways to knowledge theme for Australian Library Week

Ballarat Courier, 2 May 1998, by Lyndal Reading

Libraries are no longer simply quiet places to house books. They now contain CD ROMs, on-line catalogues, audio-visual collections and Internet access.

Pathways to knowledge is the theme for Australian Library Week, to be held from tomorrow to Saturday 9 May and libraries in Ballarat will be offering tours of their facilities as well as 'Using technology' seminars. Tours will include information about resources such as special collections, recreational materials and computer technology.

Pathways theme for Library Week

Wimmera Mail Times (Horsham), 6 May 1998

Staff at Horsham branch of the Wimmera Regional Library Corporation took Australian Library Week theme, 'Pathways to knowledge', to heart during ALW '98 celebrations. Staff members wore Wizard of Oz costumes and urged visitors to walk along the 'yellow-brick road' they set up, which led to the library.

Peter Adams, the Wimmera service's senior executive officer for information technology, branch liaison and children's services and children's services, says that there are a number of non-traditional library services which the Wimmera Regional Library intended to promote during Australian Library Week. These services include free Internet access, music CD loans, talking books and large print titles.



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al conference. Details: TBA. Contact: Susan Bray, ph 03 9344 8322, fx 03 9347 0974, bray@lib.unimelb.edu.au.

• **27/10 SA Special/Health Libraries section. Conference Dinner.** This dinner is intended to welcome interstate visitors for the Biennial Conference. Contact: Clare Aitken, ph 08 8303 8859, clarea@cobweb.com.au.

National

1-5/7 Australia New Zealand Theological Library Association 13th Annual Conference. 217 Special Trade Display - including library suppliers, demonstrations. Theme: Theological libraries: new fields in a changing landscape. Full registration cost \$250. 12-5pm. Contact: Kim Robinson, Moore Theological College, 1 King St, Newtown, ph: 02 9577 9899, fx: 02 9577 9898, library@nsw.uca.org.au.

6-9/98 Records Management Association of Australia 15th Convention. Making Information Work. Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre. For further information, please contact: Judy Lederle, ph (07) 3369 0477, fax (07) 3369 1512.

7-10/7/98 SEARCC'98. IT Reaching Out. 17th annual South East Asia Regional Computer Confederation Conference, Trade Exhibition, and associated Competitions. Venue: Darwin. Contact: The Meeting and Event Specialists, ph 08 89816 763, meeting@taunet.net.au. Information and registration forms available online at <http://www.searcc.org>.

• **19-21/1/99 Information Online and On Disc 99 conference.** The ninth Australasian Conference and Exhibition. ALIA Information Science Section. Sydney Convention and Exhibition Centre, Darling Harbour. Contact: Wael Foda, ACMS - Conventions & Exhibitions Pty Ltd, PO Box 468, Paddington 2021, ph 02 9332 4622, fx 02 9332 4066, online99@acms.com.au, <http://www.acms.com.au>.

• **6-8/9/99 Reference and Information Service section conference 1999 and Beyond - Partnerships and Paradigms.** Hilton Hotel, Sydney. Contact: ACMS - Conventions & Exhibitions Pty Ltd, PO Box 468, Paddington 2021, ph 02 9332 4622, fx 02 9332 4066, raiss99@acms.com.au, <http://www.acms.com.au>.

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