Now the dust has settled...

Adelaide 98: Pathways to knowledge

hile most of us are planning our conference schedule for the rest of 1999, it is timely to reflect on the success of the Adelaide 98: pathways to knowledge conference held in Adelaide during October.

After a planning process which spanned more than two years, the conference organising committee put together a very successful and well-attended conference.

An innovative program, with more than 100 sessions, made up of a mixture of plenary, parallel, issues and best practice sessions, and workshops gave delegates a chance to mix and match ses-

sions to suit their needs. Of the session formats the workshops were the most popular and there was support for workshops to be included in the program for future conferences.

The Fringe conference was also very successful with 157 delegates attending (seventy-five per cent of fringe delegates went on to attend the main conference). There was strong support for the notion that the Fringe become a regular feature of all ALIA conferences.

The conference returned a healthy profit: funds which will be used to provide more continuing professional development opportunities to members.

CAIDE AL PK The conference proceedings are with the editor and the expected date for publication is March. Contact the ALIA National Office for your copy.

Before the conference the organising committee surveyed delegates about their reading habits, and it came as no surprise that delegates had a fascinating range of reading interests. When asked what book they were currently reading, it became clear that although librarians can categorise books... you can't categorise librarians by the books they read! We have included the list below: how many are in your collection?

What librarians are reading

Ackroyd, Peter: The life of Thomas Monk

Adams, Douglas: Hitch-hikers guide to the galaxy

Alasootari: Researching culture

Antoine De Saint-Exupery: Der Kleine Prinz

(German version)

Argy, Fred: Australia at the crossroads

Arundhati, Roy: The god of small things

Austen, Jane: Northanger Abbey

Barkel, Juliet: The Brontes

Benterrak, Kim, et al: Reading the country

Berendt, John: Midnight in the Garden of Good

and Fvil

Bernard, M: You can do it!

Birmingham, John: The Tasmanian Babes Fiasco

Bradley, Marion: Lady of the Trillium

Brooks, Teresa: Running with the demon

Burgess, Alan: The small woman

Buzon, Tony: The mind map

Castel, Albert: Decision in the west: the Atlanta

campaign of 1864

Clarke, Donald: The rise and fall of popular music

Clayton, Sandra: The reverse garbage gardiner

Cornwell, Patricia: Point of origin

Cornwell, Patricia: Unnatural exposure

Courtney, Bryce: The potato factory

Covey, Stephen: The 7 habits of highly effective

tamilies

Dalrymple, William: From the Holy mountain

Daly. Fred: From Curtin to Kerr

Dann, Max: Memory Cathedral

Dartnall, Jean: A most delicate monster: the one

professional special library

Davies, Norman: Europe: a history

Davis, Mike: City of Quartz

de Bernieres, Louis: Captain Correlli's mandolin

de Boution, Alain: What you can learn from

Dessaix, Robert: Night letters

Diamond, Jared: The rise and fall of the third

chimpanzee

Dickens, Charles: Our mutual triend

Dingo, Sally: Dingo, the story of our mob

Doherty, PC: The Haunting

Dolley, Christopher, ed.: Penguin book of English

short stories v1

Falconer, Delie: The service of clouds

Fenton, James: All the wrong places; adrift in the

politics of Asia

Flanagan, Richard: The sound of one hand

clapping

Fogle: The dog's mind

Forbes, Leslie: Bombav ice

Forster, John: Take me to paris, Johnny

Fowkes, Ben, ed: Russia and Chechnia: the

permanent crises

Francis, Dick: Wild horses

Frayier, Charles: Cold mountain

Gaardiner, Jostein: Sophie's World

Gerritson, Tess: Life support

Grafton, Sue: N is for Noose

Graham, Katherine: Personal History

Grisham, John: The partner

Hathorn, Libby: Thunderwith

Hospital, Janette Turner: Oyster

Johnston, Ian: Bad seed

Kelly, Paul: End of certainty

Khan, Badnul: Web-based instruction

Kinder, Gary: Ship of gold in the deep blue sea

Knightly, Phillip: A hack's progress

Kriegel & Brandt: Sacred cows make the best

Lehrey, Amanda: Camilla's bread

Lesk, Michael: Practical digital libraries

Lessing, Doris: The diaries of Jane Somers

Lock, Dennis: The essentials of project

management

Louis-Ferdinand, Celine: Journey to the end of the

night

Lucado, Max: In the grip of grace

Masters, John: By blue green of blue sprung

Mayles, Frances: Under the Tuscan Sun

McCourt, Frank: Angela's Ashes

McCourt, Malachy: Like a monk swimming McHugh, Siobjan: Minefields and miniskirts: Australian women & the Vietnam War

Micklethwaite, J & Wooldridge, A: The witch doctors: what the management gurus are saying

Microsoft: Upgrade Windows NT

Mollison: Beloved

Norton, Andre: Witch world (series) Perlman, Elliot: Three Dollars

Peters, Joan K: When mothers work

Pilser, John: Hidden Agendas

Polizzotto, Carolyn: Pomegranate Season

Pratchett, Terry: Mort

Prusak, Larry: Working Knowledge

Rice, Anne: Pandora

Rubin, Harriet: The Princessa

Russell, Robyn: Ginger root Sanders, Roy: Australian library supervision and

management

Schlink, Bernhard: The Reader

Shaw, Bernard: Plays unpleasant

Swift, Ionathan: Gulliver's Travels

Theroux, Paul: My secret life

Toibin, Colm: The heather blazing

Trollope, Joanna: Other people's children

Upfield, Arthur: The battling prophet

Various (believed inspired by God): The Light (Good News Bible)

Vishnevskaya, Galina: Galina: a Russian story

Walsch, N: Conversations with God

Weingand, Darlene: Customer service excellence:

a concise guide for librarians

Weisbord, Marvin: Future search: an Ashton

guide to finding common ground in organisations and communities

Wiig, Karl: Knowledge management foundations

Wodehouse, PG: The mating season Yen, Adeline Mah: Falling Leaves