

# Librarians honoured



(l-r): Iain Brown, assistant director, Defence Library Service – ElectronicLink; Pam Piper, assistant director, Defence Library Service – BusinessLink and Dorothy Harris, director, Defence Library Service – Business.

## Librarian awarded OAM

ALIA member, **Colleen Pyne**, was awarded an Order of Australia in January this year. Colleen commenced her library career in Sydney in the 1960s, has worked in Papua New Guinea, in Queensland and at the Australian National University (ANU). In 1979 she established the library of the North Australia Research Unit, a multi-disciplinary research organisation of the ANU in Darwin focusing on the contemporary social sciences. Colleen developed the library and information service over a period of seventeen years. The Order of Australia was awarded for services to education, research and to the establishment of the North Australia Research Unit. Colleen is now Information Services Librarian at NT Health Library, Darwin.

*Mary-Anne Meginess, Darwin*

## Australia Day Medallion for Pam Piper

**Pam Piper**, assistant director of the Defence Library Service (DLS) — BusinessLink was awarded the Department of Defence Australia Day Medallion for her contributions to the provision of library services in Defence and the wider library community in the Australian Capital Territory.

After a number of years with the Department of Education, Pam opted for a career change and joined the Defence Information Service Network Office (DISNO). She managed the integration of the Online Defence

Information Network (ODIN) from the project stage into the functional operations of the library service; co-ordinated the business operations of the library network; and provided leadership for the implementation of two major library reviews.

The final report of the *Defence efficiency review and the defence reform program* recommended that the Department libraries be brought together into a single national library service, with a single management structure, to provide a more effective client-focused service. The service will depart from the traditional physical library service model and provide online access to, and delivery of, information resources. Desktop access, both for accessing information and for the delivery of services will also be provided Australia wide.

DLS has also established a national *Defence Library Research Service* to provide electronic access to customised, relevant and timely information to support the research and development activities of the Department.

Pam has been instrumental in implementing the recommendations of the library review. Her leadership, professionalism and enthusiasm have been vital in the development and implementation of the DLS.

Congratulations Pam on receiving the Australia Day Medallion.

*Teresa Giuca, Canberra*

- **6/7 SA Branch Council meeting.** *Special topic: State Education Committee* (6:30–7:30pm). Ira Raymond Room, Barr Smith Library, 5:15 for 5:30pm. Contact: Janine Tan, ph 08 8303 5225, fx 08 8303 4369, jtan@clucas.library.adelaide.edu.au

- **7/7 SA UCRLS half-day seminar.** *Legal issues associated with the internet.* Contact: Carol Dungey, ph 08 8302 3413, fx 08 8302 3382, carol.dungey@unisa.edu.au

- **August SA State Branch Council meeting.** Date and details TBA. Branch Council meeting to held at conference. Contact: Janine Tan, ph 08 8303 5225, fx 08 8303 4369, jtan@clucas.library.adelaide.edu.au

- **7/9 SA State Branch conference.** *Special topic: TAFE sector* (6:30–7:30pm). Ira Raymond Room, Barr Smith Library, 5:15 for 5:30pm. Contact: Janine Tan, ph 08 8303 5225, fx 08 8303 4369, jtan@clucas.library.adelaide.edu.au

## TAS

- **10/4 Tas TALIAtecs.** *General meeting — all welcome.* Launceston TAFE — Alanvale Campus, 1pm. Contact: Helen Duggan ph 03 6265 8848, sch@courier.tas.gov.au or Glenyce Surtees, ph 03 6428 2704

**31/5 Applications close for the Sir John Morris Memorial Trust Fund Travelling Scholarship.** Tasmanian library and archives workers are invited to apply for travelling scholarships for travel to educational institutions or centres of excellence to investigate new services and outstanding programs. Contact: The Secretary, State Library and Archives Trust, 91 Murray Street, Hobart 7000, ph 03 6233 6815, fx 03 6231 0927, Bridget.Hutton@central.tased.edu.au

## VIC

- **9/4 Vic Library Technician section.** *Student Library Technician Conference Grant deadline.* Closing date for essay competition. Contact: Kerrie Kelly, ph 03 9669 9721, kerriek@slv.vic.gov.au or your library studies department for applications forms, or check out our web site: <http://www.alia.org.au/sections/lib/vic/conference.grant.html>

- **12/4–6/12 Home Library Services SIG meeting.** Eltham Library, Panther Place (off Main Road), Eltham, 10am. Meetings dates: 12/4, 7/6, 2/8, 4/10, 6/12. Contact: Marie McMahon, ph 03 9401 0725.

- **12/4–13/12 Vic Special Libraries section Committee meeting.** Venue: TBA. Time: 5:30pm. Meeting dates: 12/4, 10/5, 7/6, 12/7, 9/8, 13/9, 11/10, 8/11, 13/12. Contact: June Hooper, ph 03 9329 8511, fx 03 9321 1574, June.Hooper@heartfoundation.com.au

- **13/4 Geelong Regional Group.** *Why ban books?: reflections on a librarian's experiences managing a library in Turkey.* Speaker: Donna Runner. Library, Woolstores Campus, Deakin Uni, 6pm, free. Contact: Tony Cavanagh, ph 03 5227 2718, fx 03 5227 2000, tonyc@deakin.edu.au

- **14/4 Vic Branch. VicLIS forum.** Walter and Eliza Hall Institute, 5:30pm. Contact: Donna Runner, ph 03 5227 2555, donnar@deakin.edu.au

- **21/4 Vic Library Technician section Student Library Technician Conference Grant judging.** Committee members only please! State Library of Victoria, Level 2 seminar room, 6pm. Meet Kerrie in the Swanston Street foyer at 6pm. Contact: Kerrie Kelly, ph 03 9669 9721, kerriek@slv.vic.gov.au

- **24/4–27/11 Vic School Libraries section meeting.** Meeting dates: 24/4, 22/5, 26/6, 24/7, 4/9, 16/10, 27/11 — AGM. Statewide School Resource Centre, 217 Church Street, Richmond, 9:30am. Contact: Maelor Himbury, ph 03 9336 2555, fx 03 9367 9361, maelor@melbpc.org.au

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