

ALIA Queensland Library Technicians Group

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Dianne Turner being presented with her prizes by Colin Matthews of Queensland Library Supplies (on left) and Chris Gissling representing ALIA (on right)

The ALIA Queensland Library Technicians Group is proud to announce that Dianne Turner of the Department of Primary Industries (DPI) Library, Toowoomba, has been awarded the 2002 ALIA Queensland Library Technician of the Year (Recent Graduate) Award. Dianne was presented with her award at the annual dinner on Tuesday 21 May 2002. Her award is a perpetual trophy and cash prize sponsored by Queensland Library Supplies, and a cash prize sponsored by ALIA. Colin Matthews of Queensland Library Supplies and Chris Gissling representing ALIA presented Dianne with her award.

Dianne completed her Bachelor of Science (Library Technology) in Semester 2001 through external studies with Edith Cowan University in WA, after completing the Associate Diploma of Science (Library Technology) in 1999. She has worked with DPI Library, Toowoomba since 1997. Her nomination by the regional library information specialist, Johan Weisner, highlighted many aspects of Dianne's achievements as a student, a member of the library staff and as an ALIA office bearer in the Darling Downs area. In all areas, she has worked to the highest levels to benefit others as well as herself. Fellow students and the ALIA Darling Downs Group value her networking and communication skills. Her ability to work within budgetary restrictions and deadlines, and to contribute to the business success of the

Department of Primary Industries has earned the respect of fellow staff. Her commitment to ALIA CPD activities has seen her travel extensively within south-east Queensland to meetings and promotional activities.

The annual dinner also featured Anna Raunik, manager of digital services at the State Library of Queensland, as guest speaker. Her talk was about the BHP Billiton skills.net roadshow Queensland, which is a strategic partnership between BHP Billiton and the State Library of Queensland to deliver free computer and internet training to rural and regional Queensland. The LIW theme of 'Libraries change lives' seemed very appropriate as she told us of the experiences of the training staff and clients in remote locations.

Library Locums once again supported the group with donations of a door prize, early-bird prize and lots of lovely jelly beans. A treasure hunt had us all emptying handbags to find that elusive paper clip or hairpin, with three tables sharing the prizes.

Liz Ward, an Australian Bush Poet entertained us throughout the evening with renditions of both old and new verse. This was a popular choice in this 'Year of the Outback'. Her example inspired the group to offer a cash prize for an audience member to capture the evening in verse in time for the AGM in June. What a wonderful way to celebrate National Library Technicians Day 2002! ■

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