

National resource-sharing forum and field day

The National Resource Sharing Policy Committee and Working Group will conduct a *Resource Sharing Forum* and Field Day on 11 and 12 November 2002 at the National Library of Australia.

Library decision-makers, interlibrary loan and document delivery practitioners are invited to convene at the *Resource Sharing Forum* to discuss new models for resource sharing and ideas for improving library service and processes.

Ideas from Australia and overseas will be canvassed at the forum, and a full range of automation options will be presented at the Field Day.

The *Resource Sharing Forum* program includes the following key papers:

1. The future of document delivery to be presented by Mary E Jackson of the United States Research Libraries Group.
2. The results of ILL/DD Benchmarking Study to be presented by Tom Ruthven, National Library of Australia.
3. New models for sharing resources to be presented by the National Resource Sharing Working Group.
4. International models from New Zealand and Canada, with speakers from the National Libraries of New Zealand and Canada.
5. A panel discussion where speakers will respond to the findings of the ILL/DD Benchmarking Study and its implications for libraries in Australia. Perspectives will be given for:
 - universities
 - special libraries
 - public libraries
 - regional libraries
 - consortia.

The field day program will involve vendors presenting their products from major ILL/DD automation packages.

Want more information about the two-day conference? Visit <http://www.nla.gov.au/rsforum/> for itinerary details.

Costs: Resource Sharing Forum Day, 11 November	\$ 65
Field Day, 12 November	\$ 65
Two-day package	\$120

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The University of Sydney Library will be celebrating its 150th anniversary in October as part of the university's sesquicentenary. Former members of staff are invited to attend a function to be held in the MacLaurin Hall at 6:30pm on Thursday 17 October. The Hall was home to Fisher Library from 1909 to 1963.

Several speakers will address the gathering briefly and the occasion will also mark the acquisition of the Library's five millionth item. Please note that there is as yet no lift to the MacLaurin Hall. Access is via the sandstone stairs to 'old Fisher' from the Quadrangle.

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