

Pam Dunlop

It was with great sadness that staff at the National Library of Australia learned of the death of Pam Dunlop on 30 October. For many years Pam was the manager of Cataloguing and Special Projects at the Library. She resigned on 31 January 2001 following the onset of illness. Pam was one of the National Library's best-known and most widely respected staff members among Australia's cataloguing and standards communities.

Originally from the Hunter region, Pam decided on a career in libraries at an early age. Visiting Canberra during the sixties, she saw the National Library building in construction, and determined that this was the place where she would work. She joined the National Library in 1970, having previously been employed in public and educational libraries in Maitland and Newcastle. During her career at the Library, Pam worked in many different areas of the Library including SALSSAH, APAIS, serials, the Australian National Bibliography, cataloguing, and standards. She was instrumental in assisting the special materials areas of the Library to begin automated cataloguing on ABN, and the much-improved level of bibliographic control over these materials today stands as a tribute to her early perseverance, determination and persuasiveness.

Pam served on the Australian Committee on Catalogu-

ing (ACOC) from 1994 until 2001, and chaired the Committee from 1995 onwards. She was also well known as a conference speaker around Australia and an early advocate of recording special materials on the National Bibliographic Database. Through these activities Pam established a wide network of contacts and associates with whom she was always ready to share her experience and insights.

Pam enjoyed life to the full, books and reading, the theatre, travelling, food, wine and especially family. Her death followed several years of illness, and her absence is keenly felt within the Library and further afield. She is survived by her husband Bryan, their children and grandchildren.

Amelia McKenzie, National Library of Australia



Pam Dunlop, centre, with NLA colleagues Maria Milligan and Trish Woods.

Conference theme announced and the call for papers goes out

8th IFLA Interlending and Document Supply International conference

Breaking barriers: reaching users in a digital world has been chosen as the theme of the 8th IFLA Interlending and Document Supply International Conference announced Dr Toby Burrows, chair of the Program Committee.

The conference will be held at the National Library of Australia, Canberra, from 28 to 31 October 2003.

'This conference brings people together from around the world to contribute their thoughts and ideas on issues that face all of us', Dr Burrows said. 'I know there is a keen interest in coming to Australia for this conference and we plan to have an exciting program to nourish people's minds. We are most interested in the impact of technology and the digital world, whether that be about equity of access, new services, the conundrum of buying or borrowing, and how to get appropriate skills and knowledge.

'I look forward to seeing you all in just under one year's time in Australia to contribute and share innovative ways of viewing the world, practical advice, the results of research, and lessons learned,' he said.

Call for papers: deadline

21 February 2003

Authors need to get thinking now if they are to meet the 21 February 2003 deadline to submit a proposal for a paper at the 8th IFLA

Interlending and Document Supply Conference. The program committee is seeking papers which canvas innovative ideas, report on the results of research, include practical advice or provide details of case studies.

The program committee is most interested in the following topics:

- Equity of access.
- Empowering the user.
- International sharing.
- Automating services: lessons learned.
- Legal implications of sharing resources: copyright and licencing.
- When to borrow, when to buy.
- Effects of changes in publishing on sharing resources.
- Consortia: new collaborative access mechanisms.
- Education for practitioners.
- Best practice processes.

Generally presentations will last for twenty minutes with ten minutes for questions.

Information on how to submit a proposal is on the website at <http://www.nla.gov.au/ilds/papers.html>, or contact the 8th IFLA Interlending and Document Supply International Conference secretariat, C/- Document Supply Service, National Library of Australia,

Canberra 2600, e-mail: ildsconference@nla.gov.au.

Conference website

In conjunction with the announcement of the theme and the call for papers, the organising committee is pleased to launch the conference website. Anyone interested in interlending and document supply should bookmark this site now and visit it regularly in the lead up. It contains information about the conference and information about the venue, Canberra (the host city), and Australia: <http://www.nla.gov.au/ilds/>.

E-mail announcements to keep you up-to-date

Finally, to keep you informed about the conference, the organising committee has set up an e-mail list where all announcements will be posted. See the link to the e-mail list on the conference web page for instructions on how to subscribe. Announcements will be posted to other discussion lists and appear in library-related journals.

The 8th IFLA Interlending and Document Supply International Conference is being organised by Australia's National Resource Sharing Working Group in conjunction with the International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions, the National Library of Australia and the Australian Library and Information Association. ■