

# Don't be afraid of copyright!

From the many questions I receive about copyright issues, it is clear that many librarians really do know what they are allowed to do or not do according to the *Copyright Act 1968*. Many seem more afraid of doing the wrong thing and simply want some reassurance. However, we can all always learn more about copyright and we should welcome any opportunity to learn more.

The Australian Copyright Council has launched its 2005 Training Program for Libraries and Archives. Sessions for librarians will be held as follows:

Adelaide: 8 September

Brisbane: 20 October

Melbourne: 10 March

Perth: 4 August

Sydney: 9 June

They will deal with digital licensing issues and will walk the participants through examples of licences, as well as the many copyright dilemmas that occur in our daily work. Further details can be found at <http://www.copyright.org.au/seminars/index.htm>.

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## ARIEL 4.0

The ALIA ILLEAG (Inter Library Lending Expert Advisory Group) is aware of the issues surrounding the release of Ariel 4.0.

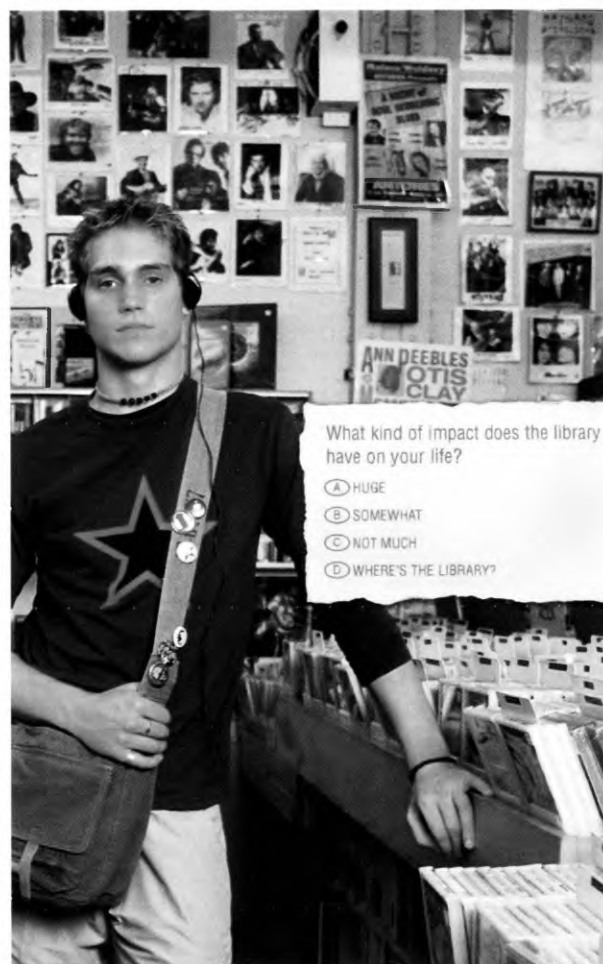
Problems of communication incompatibility with earlier versions of Ariel software are being dealt with, but as yet (January 2005) there is no date available for when this is likely to be resolved. Infotrieve Australia have advised their customers (who purchased Ariel 4.0 pre-release) that they would like to hang onto the disks (which have just arrived) till there is a definite solution to the compatibility issue.

Meanwhile, the ALIA ILLEAG would recommend that:

1. Users defer upgrading to 4.0 until the patch to previous versions is available, and
2. All versions before 4.0 are patched to ensure compatibility.

The ILLEAG would welcome news of what your organisation is doing about upgrading so that we can monitor the situation. The ILLEAG can be contacted via Trevor Wakely at [t.wakely@bom.gov.au](mailto:t.wakely@bom.gov.au); or to Sharon Howells at [Sharon.Howells@newcastle.edu.au](mailto:Sharon.Howells@newcastle.edu.au).

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