members, $455 non-members. PD points: 7. Contact: Elizabeth Swan, ph 02 9371 0300, e_swan@infoedge.com.au

• 1/8 QLD OPALS. *General meeting at Resource Options*, Unit 6/6, Qualtrough St, Woolloongabba, 7:30–8:30am. Host: Jenny Hale. Contact: Jenny Hale, ph 07 3391 3499, info@resource-options.com.au

• 11/10 QLD OPALS. *General meeting at Brisbane Catholic Education Centre*, 243 Gladstone Rd, Dutton Park, 4:30–5:30pm. Host: Denise Cadman. Contact: Denise Cadman, ph 07 3840 0446, dcadman@bne.catholic.edu.au

SA

• 10/5 ARCOM. *Library tour — COPE Library, Relationships Australia SA (Adelaide)*. The tour is at 5:30pm, followed by dinner for those who wish to join us (nearby venue: tba) Please keep this date in mind. More details tba. Contact: Tom Snook, ph 08 8201 2083, tom.snook@flinders.edu.au

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• 23/5 SALT. National Library Technicians' Day dinner. Celebrate the day! at The Grill (upstairs at The Royal Hotel), 2 North Terrace, Kent Town from 7:00pm. RSVP by Friday 12th May. $10 deposit to secure booking. Contact: Angela Jones, ph 08 8243 5691, aejones@portenf.sa.gov.au

• 25/5 ALIA SA. Quiz night. Calling all SA libraries and librarians to celebrate Library Week with trivia, fun and prizes. Start preparing your team now! Further details tba. Contact: Helen Kwaka, ph 08 8397 7454, kwakh@cttg.sa.gov.au

• 3/7 ALIA SA. *General meeting*. All SA ALIA members welcome! We meet on the 1st Monday each month. Amore Caffé, 162–170 Pultney St, 6:00pm for 6:15pm. Contact: Helen Kwaka, ph 08 8397 7454, kwakh@cttg.sa.gov.au

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• 23/5 National Library Technicians Day. Library Technicians in the Launceston area will celebrate with a dinner at the Riverside Hotel, West Tamar Highway, Riverside. Contact: Karen Waldon-Manning. ph 03 6344 2277, family_manning@yahoo.com.au

VIC

• 8/5 Vic RAIS around the world: librarians working overseas. *RAIS around the world with five intrepid librarians*. Discover how each worked in a different country in a different way: job exchanges, volunteerism, study tours, grants and secondments. Contact: Trevor Mackay, ph 03 9589 4444, tmackay@bayside.vic.gov.au

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Product news...

News from Thorpe-Bowker
Australian Literary Awards & Fellowships 2006: The definitive yearly guide to the almost $2 million-worth of awards, grants and fellowships available to Australian writers. ALAF provides contact details, entry dates and requirements and descriptions for about 200 literary awards, prizes, competitions, grants and fellowships. From Australia Council to regional writing competitions, it's all here.

Australian Books In Print 2006 (44th Edition): the definitive guide to Australian books. Contains every Australian book in print (over 100 000 titles), listed by title and author. *Australian Books in Print* also contains the most comprehensive listing of active publishers and distributors in Australia and much more.

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Factiva Discovery Technologies drives sales productivity
New Capabilities in Factiva SalesWorks Offers Visual Navigation, Increased Functionality and Additional Content

Factiva has announced that Factiva Sales-Works will leverage Factiva Discovery Technologies, a suite of capabilities that uses text mining technologies, advanced content visualisation and Factiva's patented taxonomy.

Factiva SalesWorks is a powerful information tool that helps sales professionals to understand their clients and prospects better, leading to improved relationships and increased sales.

Customer demand drives expansion of Factiva's Distribution Network
Factiva has introduced the Factiva Insight Affiliate Network, which enables public relations agencies globally to incorporate Factiva's sophisticated media intelligence solutions into their strategic and daily consultancy offerings.

The Factiva Insight Affiliate Network has been created as a result of feedback gained from Factiva's client engagements and from its partnership with Hill & Knowlton. Hill & Knowlton has acted as a partner for Factiva's media intelligence solutions over the last year, and joins the Network as its first affiliate.

Effective immediately, Factiva will be accepting applications to join the Factiva Insight Affiliate Network. Public relations consultancies and agencies that join will be able to offer Factiva's analytic tools to their clients to accompany the strategic advice that they provide.

Leading library journals now available to librarians in developing world
Elsevier is pleased to announce that its extensive range of library and information science journals are now accessible to professionals in developing countries through HINARI, the World Health Organisation's HealthInterNetwork and AGORA, the United Nation's Access to Global Online Research in Agriculture programs. With over 900 journals in HINARI (and 230 in AGORA), Elsevier represents 30 per cent of HINARI's annual 3.3 million downloads and is proud to be one of the founding publishers of both initiatives.

The addition of Elsevier's 14 library and information journals to HINARI and AGORA ensures that professionals across 1800 higher education and research institutes in 105 developing countries will benefit from leading resources such as *Information Processing and*

Management, International Information and Library Review, Journal of Academic Librarianship, Library Collections, Acquisitions and Technical Services, and Serials Review.

EBSCOhost to be the only platform for CINAHL and SPORTDiscus databases

As the result of two acquisitions occurring during the last three years, EBSCO Publishing now owns and publishes CINAHL and SPORTDiscus. Although there are only a limited number of platforms through which these databases are available, EBSCO has notified these distributors of its intent to not renew their distribution agreements for these products. In the future, these products will be made available exclusively via EBSCOhost, which is currently the most used platform for these databases worldwide. As has been policy since its inception in 1995, EBSCO will continue to make EBSCOhost available to our customers with no platform fee.

Swets and CAVAL join in E-journal management training seminars

Swets Information Services announces a partnership with CAVAL Collaborative Solutions, providing premium E-Journal management training in capital cities across Australia and New Zealand. This course has been designed to assist library and information staff in understanding e-journal management processes, and looking at practical ways to effectively manage serials collections.

Further information about the course outline, dates, venues and registration can be found at http://www.caval.edu.au.

A DialogLink 5 exclusive

Through DialogLink 5, researchers can conduct a chemical structure search in multiple drug pipeline files simultaneously, offering a single, comprehensive search of relevant databases. Dialog is currently the only major information aggregator to offer this particular functionality.

Chemical structure searching on DialogLink 5 also includes substructure highlighting in retrieved records, as well as the ability to edit retrieved structures. It also allows researchers to use any chemical structure drawing software that can create an industry standard MDL MOL file to generate the structure query for a Dialog chemical structure search.

DialogLink 5 software is available for free download at http://www.dialog.com/products/dialoglink/.

Dialog sponsors SLA Award for Australian and New Zealand information professionals

Dialog, a long-time supporter of the Special Libraries Association (SLA), is sponsoring the Second Annual Australia and New Zealand Informational Professional of the Year Award. Nominations are now being accepted for the award, which is given annually by the Australia and New Zealand chapter of the SLA.

The SLA Australia and New Zealand Informational Professional of the Year Award carries a prize of AUD$2000. This year's winner will be announced at the SLA 97th Annual Conference, 11–14 June 2006, in Baltimore, MD, USA, and presented at the Australian Library and Information Association (ALIA) 2006 Biennial Conference, 19–22 September 2006, in Perth, Australia.

Nominations are now being accepted and should be e-mailed to Sue Henczel at sueh@caval.edu.au. The deadline for submitting nominations is **12 May 2006**. Individuals may nominate themselves or others. ∎