## **National Library Technicians Day roundup**

rom a sunny late Autumn lunch in Lismore to not so warm weather in other parts of the country. Over 230 library technicians and friends gathered in various locations to celebrate National Library Technicians Day.

#### ACT

A chilly morning greeted 21 library technicians for their breakfast at the Waldorf on London. Sue Hutley, Georgina Dale and Jane Hardy from ALIA National Office also attended the breakfast.

#### **New South Wales**

A small group of library technicians braved a very cold and rainy May evening in Sydney to attend a dinner at Friendship Oriental Seafood Restaurant. Thank you to One Umbrella for providing a prize for the evening.

Eleven library technicians and library assistants from Richmond Tweed Regional Library, Lismore Base Hospital and Southern Cross University lunched al fresco at Café Giardino (below) in Lismore.



Café Aqua was the venue for 16 library technicians to celebrate their seventh 'Library Technicians Day Breakfast'. During breakfast, a presentation of a High Achievement Award was made to Tony O'Neill in recognition of his academic success at Victoria University of Technology.

#### **Northern Territory**

Approximately 30 people attended and enjoyed a 3 course a la carte dinner and some fine wine at Charles Darwin University's Karawa Restaurant in Palmerston.



I-r: Liisa Elika, Patricia Whalan, Robyn Hempel and Dianne Wilcox at Kanawa restaurant

# A cheerful group at the ACT National Library Technicians Day breakfast



#### Queensland

This year 25 library technicians did something different and participated in the ALIA Quorum Trivia Night at Queensland Irish Club on the Monday of LIW. During the evening Kathleen Boyd, was presented with the ALIA Qld Library Technician of the Year [Recent Graduate] Award.



Kathleen Boyd (centre with award), Colin Matthews (QLS), and other members of the ALIA Qld Library Technicians Group.

#### South Australia

A pleasant evening was had at The Grill, The Royal Hotel, Kent Town for 21 people, including staff and students from Adelaide TAFE and Paul de Boer from Raeco.

#### Tacmania

Students from TAFE Tasmania – Davenport Campus organised a dinner, entertainment, award presentations and competitions to test Tuesday night brains. Thirtyfour 'old' and 'new' library technicians and librarians attended to share a meal, catch up on news and applaud the efforts of the current students.

Twenty-five library technicians from Launceston enjoyed an evening meal at the Riverside Hotel. The highlight of the night was their guest speaker, Sue Atkinsons. Sue spoke of her library experiences from volunteer, to the completion of Library and Museum Diplomas, and her relocation to a remote school where she has been involved in library and museum projects.

#### Victoria

The European Bier Café, on a wintry evening, was the venue for 16 library technicians from around the state to gather for a meal and a few glasses of wine, catch up with old friends and meet new ones. The group was also joined by Trevor McCann from Raeco.

#### Western Australia

Despite atrocious weather, 30 library technicians, friends and students attended breakfast at Vultures Restaurant in Northbridge. Newly elected ALIA director Michelle Brennand also attended.

### Kevin Dudeney

