

School Library Automation Conference

Department of Library Studies at West-Australian College of Advanced Education is planning a two-day conference on School Library Automation in Perth on 12 and 13 April 1985.

Speakers from the eastern states, as well as local speakers, will discuss aspects of the use of computers in schools and school libraries. Sessions will explore current developments in the use of computers for school library and resource management. In others, the use of computers for teaching and learning will be the focus. Topics to be discussed include:

- Computer applications in school libraries.
- Local school library computing projects in progress.
- ASCIS (Australian Schools Catalogue Information Service).
- Selecting computer software.
- Computer hardware considerations.
- Management of computer resources.
- Likely future developments in school library computing.

The venue will be the Nedlands Campus of Western Australian College of Advanced Education, which is within easy travelling distance of Perth City Centre, and is on several bus routes.

Selected computer hardware and software vendors will be demonstrating their products during the conference, and there will also be a display of computer-related book and non-book materials.

Further information may be obtained from L. Anne Clyde, Head, Library Studies Department, Western Australian College of Advanced Education, Cnr Stirling Highway and Linden Road, NEDLANDS WA 6009.

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Motions for discussion are to be put in writing and in the hands of the Secretary, by Wednesday, 26 February 1985.

Notices of Motion

1. That the Constitution of the Victorian Branch be amended to read:

1.7. Two student representatives will be nominated by the Library Schools in Victoria on a rotating basis. One representative will be a student of librarianship and the other a student library technician. Both will be members of the Association. (Proposed by Victorian Branch Council).

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The world of Beatrix Potter

Beatrix Potter devotees will be pleased to learn of an exhibition of original artwork coming to Australia for the first time this year. Fifty pieces of Beatrix Potter artwork along with several first editions of the Peter Rabbit books, will be on exhibition at 'Dromkeen', Riddells Creek, Victoria, from 2 February to 5 April 1985. 'Dromkeen' is a beautiful old homestead housing a collection of Australian children's book illustrations and is part of the Ashton Scholastic Group.

From there the exhibition will be taken by Penguin Books, which recently acquired Frederick Warne, the publishers of Beatrix Potter, to the Grace Bros Blaxland Gallery in Sydney. The artwork will be on exhibit there in the school holidays, from 4-18 May.

Visiting Australia to coincide with the exhibition will be Judy Taylor, previously children's editor of The Bodley Head in London. In 1981 she was invited to act as a consultant to

Frederick Warne on all matters pertaining to Beatrix Potter, a role she has continued under Penguin Books' ownership. She is particularly involved in approving the quality of Beatrix Potter merchandise that is currently being licensed.

My First Year: A Beatrix Potter Baby Book was devised by Judy Taylor and she is now engaged in preparing *The World of Beatrix Potter: A Pictorial Biography*, to be published in 1986. A longer term project on which she will be acting as editor, is *The Collected Letters of Beatrix Potter*. While in Australia during February, Judy Taylor will be lecturing to interested groups on Beatrix Potter and will be hoping, of course, to hear from people who may have information about sources of Beatrix Potter letters in Australia.

For further information please contact Patricia Adam, Marketing Manager, Penguin Books Australia Limited, 487 Maroon Highway, Ringwood, Victoria, 3134. Telephone: (03) 870 3444.

DATES FOR MEETINGS 1985

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| | Meeting | Deadline | Meeting | Deadline | Meeting | Deadline |
| JAN. | | | | | | |
| FEB. | Fri. 15 | Fri. 1 | | | | |
| MAR. | Thurs. 28 | Thurs. 14 | Fri./Sat. 29/30 | Tues. 26/2 | Thurs./Fri. 14/15 | Wed. 20/2 |
| APR. | | | | | | |
| MAY | Fri. 10 | Fri. 26/4 | | | | |
| JUNE | Fri. 28 | Fri. 14 | | | | |
| JULY | | | | | Thurs./Fri. 11/12 | Wed. 19/6 |
| AUG. | Thurs. 8 | Thurs. 25/7 | Fri./Sat. 9/10 | Tues. 9/7 | | |
| SEPT. | | | | | | |
| OCT. | Fri. 18 | Fri. 4 | | | Thurs. 31/ Fri. 1/11 | Wed. 9 |
| NOV. | Thurs. 28 | Thurs. 14 | Fri./Sat. 29/30 | Tues. 29/10 | | |
| DEC. | | | | | | |

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING — Thursday, 8 August 1985 (tentative date)
Dates for the Publications Board/ALJ Editorial Board meetings will be announced as soon as available.



Library Association of Australia 24th Biennial Conference Darwin NT, 30 June — 4 July 1986

LIFESTYLES AND LIBRARIES

CALL FOR PAPERS

The conference theme 'Lifestyles and Libraries' has been chosen to convey the idea of libraries as places for people. Growing numbers of people are turning to libraries and information services in order to utilize an increasing volume of information produced in a greater variety of formats than ever before.

The adoption of appropriate technologies will be one of the ways by which libraries will be able to meet the growing demand. Libraries must effectively meet the informational and recreational needs of a changing world to remain an integral part of our society.

Within this general theme, emphasis in the keynote addresses will be on:

- Law and Society
- Media and Marketing
- Patterns of Work and Leisure
- Business

as these relate to libraries and their services.

This call is for papers for the concurrent sessions which may be of a theoretical nature or be outlines for practical or activity sessions.

If you wish to present a paper, or another activity, please submit the title, a short summary and an estimate of the time required together with your curriculum vitae by **30 March 1985**

The Secretary
LAA Biennial Conference Committee
Darwin 1986
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