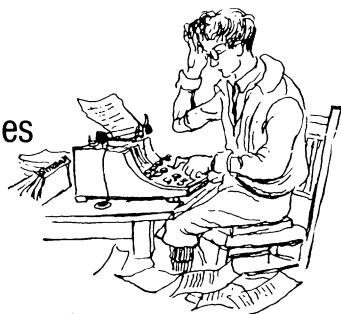


THE SOURCE

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Unrepentant leisure

Leisure, enforced or otherwise, is a growth industry. Government departments administer it. It is a fit subject for academic study. And centres have been established in many countries to monitor writings about it.

One such is the Leisure Information Centre at Phillip Institute of Technology. Late last year the Centre published an extremely useful guide to what is happening in the way of leisure in Australia. *Leisure and recreation in Australia 1976-83* is 'a listing of research, policy and planning documents, research in progress, researchers and practitioners'. Published research listed is from a variety of sources, some from overseas, and runs through the whole range of leisure activities and related areas — so subjects as diverse as skiing injuries, community gardens, forest management, litter, libraries and off-road vehicles are fair game.

It is in the unpublished and work-in-progress categories that *Leisure and recreation in Australia* really shows its mettle. In such cases contact addresses are provided, and there is also a listing of leisure researchers and practitioners' with details of their specialities, positions and addresses. This work is essential for any serious reference collection, for all our users (with the possible exception of a well-known and oft-quoted judge) are consumers of leisure.

Leisure and recreation in Australia 1976-83 was compiled by Diane Pain, Karen Hopper and Elery Hamilton-Smith and was published in December last year by the Leisure Information Centre, Phillip Institute of Technology, Plenty Road, Bundoora, Vic 3083. It costs \$21.00 plus \$2.50 postage. (ISBN 0 909257 30 2)

The information contained in *Leisure and recreation in Australia* is also contained in the AUSINET database Leisureline, which also includes *Australian leisure index* and *Australian leisure bibliography*, two products of the Australian Clearing House for Publications in Recreation, Sport and Tourism at Footscray Institute of Technology. Both of these useful publications should by now be sitting firmly on your reference shelves (when they are not actually in use).

The former covers a wide range of journals, conference proceedings, books, brochures and other publications, and appears twice yearly in printed as well as in online form. The latter covers the holdings of 'major Australian libraries specialising in aspects of sport, recreation, leisure and tourism', with over 5000 entries for pre-1982 material, covering neatly the pre-*Australian leisure index* years.

Further information on the leisure index and on the bibliography can be obtained from the ACHPIRST Co-Ordinator, Footscray Institute of Technology, PO Box 64, Footscray, Vic 3011.

Get yourself promoted

Are you a doer or a talker? Do you smile at the public? Have you ever organised a teenage happening? Have you ever sent out library brochures with dog registration notices? These and a myriad of other questions are prompted by Carolyn Johnson's *Marketing the library*, which was published earlier this year by the Queensland Library Promotion Council.

This 20-page booklet not only raises questions, and hence awareness, of some of the ways in which librarians can promote their library services, but also provides many answers. The focus of this little work is obviously public libraries, but some of the ideas in it are hospitable to transplantation. Nothing outrageous is suggested, nothing which will shock or alienate: just tried and tested techniques from which to select the most appropriate for your own situation. Buying and using a copy of *Marketing the library* is the most useful thing a would-be promoter could do, apart from acquiring a clone of the author.

Carolyn Johnson's *Marketing the library* was published earlier this year by the QLPC and can be obtained from Robert Pestell, c/o State Library of Queensland, 189 Stanley Street, South Brisbane, Qld 4101. It costs \$3.00 including postage. (ISBN 0 9589852 0 0)

Healthy choice

Where can I get a film on fires in hospitals? Are there any films for a professional audience on Parkinsonism? Are there any training films on the handling of ethylene oxide? These and countless other questions on non-print materials in the area of health sciences can be answered quickly and easily by *Health media review index*, which was published earlier this year by Scarecrow Press.

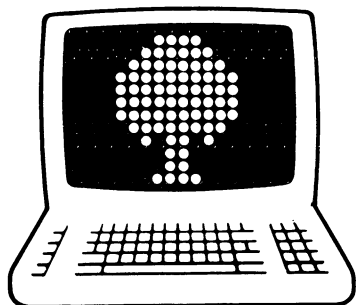
Subtitled 'a guide to reviews and descriptions of commercially-available non-print material for the medical, mental, allied health, human service and related counselling professions', this voluminous work (844 pages) brings together extracts of reviews from 139 health-related journals published between 1980 and 1983. Main entries, arranged by title, give information on format, date of production, duration, distributor, review citation and background notes. There is a subject index, a list of media which have won awards and a list of distributors, most with British or North American addresses — many will have Australian distributors which you can track down in the *Australian audio visual reference book*.

Jill E. Provan and Joy W. Hunter's *Health media review index* will be a splendid tool for the specialist collection. It was published earlier this year by Scarecrow and costs US\$59.50. Review copy supplied by James Bennett Pty Ltd. (ISBN 0 8108 1739 X)

Aspects of automation

In April 1984 about 140 school librarians and other interested parties gathered in Brisbane at the National Conference on School Library Automation and were treated to two days' hard talking about aspects of the information revolution. They heard papers on ASCIS, SAERIS, BOOK TRAK, automated bibliographies, the SIN (Schools Information Network) project and other delights, actual and, in a couple of cases, potential. John Kitt, for example, talked in a down-to-earth manner about AUSSAT. And Roy Lundin cast a brief eye on the school library in the looming millennium.

The proceedings of this conference were published last year, under the title *School library automation: the proceedings of a National Conference held at the Brisbane College of Advanced Education on 16-17 April 1984*, by the School Library Association of Queensland. Copies are available from the Secretary, SLAQ, PO Box 148, Red Hill, Qld 4059 at \$10.00, plus \$2.50 postage. (No ISBN)



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