

Darwin 1986



LAA STAND IN DARWIN

If you're going to Darwin don't forget to visit the LAA Stand. We'll have lots of publications and other goodies for sale and there will be LAA staff on hand to assist you with your purchases and to answer any queries you might have.

There will be four staff members in Darwin. Jenny Adams, Executive Director; Sue Phillips, Assistant Executive Director; Louise Lansley, Industrial Information and Research Officer and Jo-anne Fuller, Membership Clerk.

Jo-anne probably knows more about membership than anyone else on the LAA staff so if you have a membership query she's the person to speak to.

If you want to speak to any one of us and we are not available when you visit the stand please leave your name and hotel and we will contact you to arrange a suitable time to meet.

Look forward to seeing you there.

Jenny Adams
Executive Director

Speaker Profiles

When we are informed when we have information? This is the question Professor Dr Helmut Grünewald will be addressing in his keynote address on Tuesday 1 July.

Born in Germany in 1930, Dr Grünewald studied chemistry at the University of Bonn and then completed his PhD while he was a student at Cornell Medical College, New York. In 1968 he was appointed Director of Publications at the German Chemical Society, a position he still holds today. Dr Grünewald became an Honorary Professor for chemical literature, documentation and nomenclature at the University of Bonn in 1983.

Dr Grünewald believes that information is one of the most inflationary currencies of today. The term is sufficiently vague to be used in almost any context, to become part of death-taking composites (as in 'information society') or to be amalgamated with every disassemblable bit of language (as in 'informatics'). Although many feel plagued by the 'information flood', all that seems to be known about the disease is that it can be reduced to patterns of zeros and ones which may be shifted, combined and output with incredible speed suitably channelling the flow of electrons. Every effort has been made to understand the nature of the merchandise. In this respect, Dr Grünewald will offer a number of curative considerations.

Dr Jocelyne Scutt is well qualified to examine the librarian's role in social, political and legal change, which is the title of her keynote session also scheduled for Tuesday 1 July. Dr Scutt is Deputy Chairperson, Law Reform Commission, Victoria. She is also the author of various books including *For richer, for poorer: money, marriage and property rights; Rape law reform; Even in the best of homes: violence in the family; and Poor nation of the Pacific: Australia's future?*

According to Dr Scutt, law reform proposals and social change should not be carried out or put forward in a historical or contextual vacuum. To be effective, those proposing changes in laws, behaviour and/or attitudes must be able to work together with a librarian or librarians attuned to the present legal, social and political system and aware of resources and materials of present and past that may be valuable to reformers. Librarians who are lateral thinkers are a boon to law reformers and others working in areas of social and political change. Dr Scutt will examine the reasons why this awareness is necessary and how it can be developed, built upon and incorporated into law reform.

Jenny Doubleday
Publicity and Public Relations

Extra social activities

The Libraries and Information Services for People with Disabilities Group are holding a breakfast at the poolside of the Travelodge. Enjoy the beautiful dry season morning and attend the breakfast between 7 am and 8.45 am for the cost of \$6.50 per person. The Travelodge is adjacent to the main conference venue.

A Chinese banquet at the Jade Garden Restaurant has been chosen by the Government Publications Special Interest Group. The restaurant is located at the top end of Smith Street Mall and lunch will be between 12.15 pm and 1.45 pm on Thursday 3 July. Cost is \$10 per person plus drinks.

Exhibition news

One of the exhibits to be featured at the Trade Exhibition is 3M with its new ET3000 Book Detection System. This is a radio frequency low cost system which is ideal for smaller libraries, ie schools and municipal libraries. See this and many other innovative ideas at the Trade Exhibition.

Attending the trade exhibition and represented here for the first time, will be the Dutch Subscription Agency, Swets Subscription Service. Swets has been supplying periodicals to libraries throughout the world for the last eighty-five years. An idea as to how much importance Swets attaches to the Australian market, is the fact that this will be the third visit to Australia by representatives of Swets within two years.

Bronwyn Ash
Publicity and Public Relations

Au revoir, farewell, goodbye

Bid farewell to your colleagues and Darwin at the closing ceremony to be held Friday 4 July between 4.30pm and 6.30pm.

In keeping with the theme of the conference 'Lifestyles and Libraries' the closing ceremony will be a mardi gras held in Bicentennial Park opposite the main conference venue and overlooking Beagle Gulf.

Ethnic food prepared by some of the many ethnic groups and associations located in Darwin will be available. Arts and craft will also be on sale. The Sydney Biennial Conference Committee will also be there promoting the next conference.

**REGISTRATIONS
STILL AVAILABLE.
REGISTER NOW
DON'T MISS OUT!**

URICA WORKSHOPS

The Australasian URICA Users Group (AUUG) will be holding its workshops on Saturday 5 July 1986 at the Larrakeyah Lodge, Kahlin Avenue, Larrakeyah, in Darwin. The workshop will cover:

9.00-10.30	Acquisitions Infotext (community information)	} parallel sessions
10.30-11.00	Tea	
11.00-12.30	Cataloguing Circulation control	} parallel sessions
12.30- 2.00	Lunch	
2.00- 3.30	Serials	
3.30- 4.00	Tea	
4.00- 5.30	Enquiry (including OPACs)	

A small charge will be made for morning and afternoon tea; lunch is not provided.

Everyone is welcome. Complement your visit to the URICA stand at the exhibition by attending the workshops and hearing the users' views.

Enquiries or expressions of interest in attending will be welcome by the AUUG National Secretary, Louise Jones, at the State Library Service of Western Australia, Alexander Library Building, Perth Cultural Centre, Perth WA 6000 (telephone (09) 427 3341), or, during conference week, at the Windsor Lodge, or just turn up at the Larrakeyah Lodge before 9.00am on 5 July.