CONFERENCE ROUNDUP

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Specials and Law Librarians Conference gamble on a good time!

he Second Asian-Pacific Special and Law Librarians' Conference will be held in the week beginning Monday 28 September, at the Sheraton Hotel, Brisbane.

The 'Call for Papers' received a good response and the Program sub-committee has been able to put together a very interesting program. During the Law segment of the program, there will be a number of parallel sessions and conference attendees will have a choice of session.

Prior to the commencement of the conference proper, the LAA Special Libraries Section's AGM will be held.

The section is pleased to announce that Mr

Peter Dawe, Chief Librarian, CSIRO and LAA President will deliver the Lesle Symes Memorial Lecture.

The keynote speaker at the conference will be Professor D. Lamberton, Professor of Economics at the University of Queensland and a noted writer on the economics of information.

Among the other speakers will be Pamela Taylor, Librarian, Australian Graduate School of Management, University of New South Wales; Ann Hanger, Technical Services Librarian, Queensland Department of Main Roads; Professor Don Harding, Professor of Law, University of New South Wales; Jane Tjia, Information Services Co-ordinator, Woodside Offshore Petroleum Pty Ltd; and Bert Elson, Manager, Information Services, Transport Tasmania. Incorporated within the program are three sessions on 'Community Welfare Librarianship'. These have been co-

ordinated by Phillip Roberts.

Response to date from potential exhibitors has been very gratifying and the exhibition should be of value to all registrants. A spacious area has been reserved for the trade exhibition close to the main auditorium and easily accessible to all attendees.

Library tours will be available and complete details will be given at the conference. Of particular interest to visitors to Queensland will be an evening trip to Jupiters Casino on the Gold Coast which has been arranged for Wednesday, 30 September. The inclusive price covers transport to and from the Gold Coast, dinner and entry to the cabaret.

The conference is the biennial opportunity for both special and law librarians to gather and share their work experience and to learn of new and useful developments in the field of librarianship and information science. An opportunity not to be missed!

TAFE Conference — accommodation

Participants in the First National Conference of the TAFE National Section and TAFE Section Queensland Group, Brisbane 8-10 July 1987 can choose their accommodation from a selection of different types.

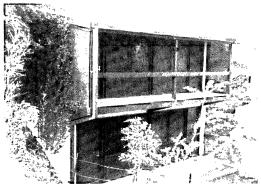


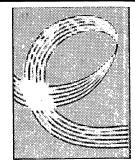
Photo: TAFE Halls of Residence — a 4 bedroom unit.

Clean, functional accommodation at a budget price (\$20 per day including breakfast), is available in the TAFE Halls of Residence which provide an attractive place to stay. The winner of two architectural awards, they are in a landscaped bushland setting at Kelvin Grove, 2km north of the city area. Buses will be provided to and from the conference venue.

The complex consists of a central dining/common room and reception area with separate self-contained units. These comprise four bedrooms (two upstairs and two downstairs) which contain a single bed, table and small cupboard, and a shared small kitchen and shower room.

Bookings, which are limited to 80 persons and will be allocated on a first-come first-served basis, may be made on the conference registration form.

Two motels, with prices from approx \$49 single and \$54 double per night, and self-contained apartments for two to five persons, have also been selected for their facilities, and as they are within walking distance of the city centre. A \$50 deposit should accompany each booking (which should be made direct to the place chosen), and accommodation cannot be guaranteed after 1 May. Further details are available in the registration form, now available from: Bernice Burgess, Bankstown College of TAFE, 500 Chapel Rd, Bankstown, NSW 2200 (02) 707 8566.



INFORMATION ONLINE 88

CALL FOR PAPERS

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"THE KEY TO OUR FUTURE"

THIRD AUSTRALIAN ONLINE INFORMATION CONFERENCE AND EXHIBITION HILTON INTERNATIONAL, SYDNEY 19-21 JANUARY 1988

Expressions of interest are sought from persons wishing to present papers at *INFORMATION ONLINE 88*, the Third Australian Online Information Conference and Exhibition.

The First *INFORMATION ONLINE* Conference conducted in January 1986, was a resounding success, attracting 550 delegates (a further 200 persons had to be turned away), and 2700 visitors to the exhibition. 42 Stands displayed a wide range of online databases providing legal, medical, financial, engineering, business, and technological news and information from around the world.

The Second *INFORMATION ONLINE* Conference conducted in January this year attracted 620 delegates – maximum capacity – and a further 150 persons were turned away. More than 2000 persons comprising the legal, business, medical, scientific and library communities visited the 52-Stand exhibition. Participants from the U.K., U.S.A., West Germany, and New Zealand have praised highly the calibre of this prestigious event, which has become a respected milestone for the online information industry in Australia.

The Conference and Exhibition provides a forum for Australian information professionals to exchange information and explore new developments and major issues concerning the online information industry in Australia and overseas.

Applications close 15 May 1987. Information regarding proposed presentation topics and the

INFORMATION ONLINE 88 BEST PRESENTER AWARD

is available from:

The Programme Committee,
Third Australian Online Information Conference and Exhibition,
Attention: Kaye Paterson,
Australian Convention Management Services,
PO Box 468,
PADDINGTON, NSW 2021. Telephone: (02) 332 4622

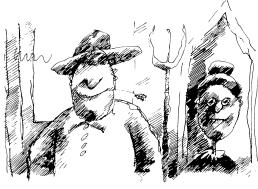
Libraries Alone

A National Conference for up to 200 librarians from rural and isolated libraries in Australia will be held in Wagga Wagga, NSW on 21-23 July 1987. Entitled 'Libraries Alone', the conference is being organised by the Riverina Regional Group, and will be held at the Riverina-Murray Institute of Higher Education.



Keynote speaker for the conference will be Professor Bernard Vavrek from Clarion University of Pennsylvania, USA, who is the Director of the University's Center for the Study of Rural Librarianship.

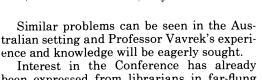
Professor Vavrek has researched and published widely in the fields of rural librarianship and information services in libraries, and since 1978, has received grants in excess of \$300,000 to carry out this work. He has said that 'no greater disparity exists between rural and urban America than when access to information is considered.' His work concentrates on ways of overcoming geographical remoteness and reducing the barriers to information access experienced by people who live away from main population centres.



tralian setting and Professor Vavrek's experi-

Interest in the Conference has already been expressed from librarians in far-flung places like Weipa (Nth Qld), Emerald (Nth Qld), Darwin (NT), Kangaroo Island (SA), Bunbury (WA), and many points in between.

For further information please contact: Roy Sanders, Libraries Alone, C/- School of Information Studies, Riverina-Murray Institute of Higher Education, PO Box 588, Wagga Wagga, NSW 2650 (069) 232468 bus; (069) 252748 ah.



On the social side there will be the usual welcome reception and conference dinner with an optional night at the theatre and a Saturday luncheon. For registration enquiries please contact

Library Technicians

Conference Update

during 28-31 October.

The conference program for the Fourth National Library Technicians Conference is well under way! The conference is to be held

at the luxurious Regent Hotel, Melbourne,

and librarians and will cover industrial is-

sues, automation and new technology, profes-

Library of Victoria and the Royal Institute

for the Blind have been organised. Work-

shops have also been arranged and will in-

clude a Computer Workshop to be held at Box

Hill College of TAFE, a Children's Literature

Workshop to be held at the conference venue

and an Interpersonal Relations Workshop to

be held at Footscray College of TAFE.

sional development and working overseas.

Papers will be presented by technicians

As a part of the itinerary visits to the State

the Conference Convenor: Margaret Munro (03) 669 7240 or Bloomsbury Conference Services, 319 Lennox St, Richmond 3121 (03) 428 8226

Health Sciences Librarians — the dynamic communicators

Planning is well under way for the 7th Biennial Medical Librarians' Conference with the theme 'Health Sciences Librarians - the Dynamic Communicators'. The conference is to be held during 13-17 September in Adelaide, home of the ALIA Medical Librarians Section, and home of the Australian Grand Prix.

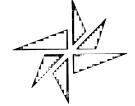
To whet your appetite, the Steering Committee can now announce that two eminent overseas librarians will present papers. One is a British librarian, Ms Fiona Mackay Picken who has a well-established reputation in the field of medical librarianship. Ms Picken is currently Regional Librarian to the N. W. Thames Regional Health Authority and Regional Librarian N. W. Thames for the British Postgraduate Medical Federation (University of London) and is based in London. She has served several terms of office at the Library Association, worked on various committees in the London University and on several British Library projects. She has also been a member of other committees, eg of the National Library of Medicine Classification User group from 1981 to date.



Ms Picken has spoken at numerous international and overseas venues and travelled to Japan, Nepal, Canada, Iran, India and throughout Europe, either as a speaker, to conduct workshops, or as a library

consultant. In June 1986 she co-directed a course for the British Council for 16 librarians from Europe, Asia and Africa on 'Medical library management: maximising resources'. She has also published widely in the field of medical librarianship.

Ms Picken brings a wealth of experience with her. Her overview of professional developments overseas should be invaluable to all Australian medical librarians. Ms Picken will take a plenary session entitled 'The online interview', will be on a panel at a luncheon



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meeting entitled 'Travellers' tales, or work experiences of librarians overseas', and deliver a paper 'Education in health sciences'. Since Ms Picken's expertise lies particularly in the areas of communication and management,

her sessions are not to be missed.

Our other overseas speaker is Dr Julie Virgo (who by coincidence began her library career in Adelaide). She will present an all-day workshop — 'Strategic planning for health science librarians'. Dr Virgo is currently a consultant with and Vice President of the Carroll Group, Inc based in Chicago, and has had wide experience in medical libraries in the States. Watch *InCite* for more details!

So start planning now to join us in Adelaide in the balmy month of September for what promises to be an exciting and stimulating conference. There will also be ample opportunities to mix socially with colleagues and renew acquaintances. Registration forms for the conference will be available soon.

Information Online 88



The success of the Second Australian Online Information Conference and Exhibition, for participants and exhibitors alike, has encouraged the Information Science Section to sponsor Information Online 88, to be held again at the Sydney Hilton on 19-21 January 1988.

The theme of the next conference, 'Online Information — the Key to our Future', reflects the need to relate online information to its applications, and emphasises the contribution that the online information industry can make to Australia's economic revival.

Information Online is evolving to meet the changing needs of both new and experienced online users, and to attract and raise the awareness of those in different industry groups to the benefits of online information. This will allow increased communication between information professionals and industry decision makers, and enable exhibitors to introduce a wider range of potential clients to their products and services.

Specific full-day streams will be devoted to online applications in the Business and Finance, Education, Science and Technology and Legal sectors. These will be backed up by sessions on software management, networking and applications of online information systems in the working environment, focusing particularly on Australian systems and prod-

uct developments.

Conference planning is already well underway. A 'Call for Papers' appears in this issue of *InCite*, and will be placed in other news outlets. With the added incentive of a substantial Best Presenter Award, we are confident of attracting a range of forward-looking and stimulating contributions which will greatly expand our awareness and understanding of online systems and sources.

The Exhibition area will once again provide an ideal venue for hands-on sessions and demonstrations of the many new products which will emerge over the coming year.

In the year of Australia's Bicentenary, Information Online 88 will thus seek to bring together information providers, information users, and information professionals, to make the best future use of Australian and overseas online information resources.

LAA 50 — Tour the Nation's Capital

A number of optional tours have been put together by the LAA 50 conference committee for Saturday, 5 September. As well as having the option to visit Canberra's libraries or taking an 'introduction to Canberra tour'—covering Black Mountain Tower, the New Parliament House Exhibition and the Embassy areas—conference delegates will have the chance to 'tip toe' through Sir Harold and Lady White's garden or to visit historic Lanvon.

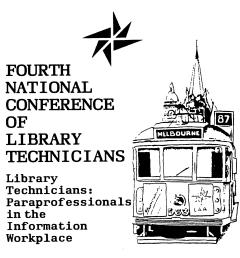
Lanyon is a 19th century pastoral property on the Murrumbidgee. The Nolan Gallery is located in the grounds. The tour also includes a visit to the Cuppacumbalong Crafts centre. Tour times and costs are detailed in the conference registration brochure.

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Please feel free to contact committee members if there are any program matters you would like to discuss or if you would like to be put in touch with relevant IFLA Sections or Round Tables.

The IFLA 1988 conference theme 'Living Together — People, Libraries, Information' provides participants with opportunities to look creatively and positively at the challenges and opportunities in bringing people, information and libraries together in many different cultural and political contexts. It will be fascinating to see how different sections and participants from different countries and milieus interpret the conference theme in shaping their sessions and presentations.

Marianne Broadbent Chair, IFLA Program Committee



28-31 OCTOBER, 1987 Melbourne, Australia

Venue:

The Regent of Melbourne, Collins St, Melbourne

Conference Convenor

Margaret Munro, 6 Karwitha St, Vermont 3133. (03) 669 7240 bus; (03) 723 2263 ah

Conference Secretariat

Ms Buzz McCarthy, Bloomsbury Conference Services, 319 Lennox St, Richmond 3121. (03) 428 1983 Tlx: AA 36224

LIBRARIES ALONE: Rural and Isolated Libraries Conference Wagga Wagga, NSW. 21st - 23rd July,1987

This Conference aims to gather together librarians from rural and isolated areas in Australia to discuss and disseminate ideas and practical ways of solving the problems inherent in being physically separate from the main centres of population.

In keeping with the emphasis on practical problem-solving, the Conference will include a mix of plenary and workshop sessions, covering such topics as education and professional development of librarians; networks and regional co-operation; financial and political management and the provision of library services in rural and isolated areas. Trade displays and demonstrations of communication systems such as VIATEL, MINERVA, AUSPAC, will also be featured in the Conference.

Keynote Speaker: Prof. Bernard Vavrek, Director, Center for the Study of Rural Librarianship, Clarion State University, Pennsylvania, USA

The venue for the Conference is the Riverina-Murray Institute of Higher Education which is located 8km from the city of Wagga Wagga (4th largest city in NSW). Accommodation will be available on-campus within short walking distance of all conference venues. Because of the distance of the Institute from Wagga, this option is generally preferred. However, excellent accommodation (at country rates) may be found in Wagga itself.

All delegates are invited to attend the few social functions arranged, such as the Conference Dinner on Tuesday 21st (which will include a performance by students from RMIHE's Centre for the Performing Arts), and a wine tasting featuring wines from the Institute's own teaching and commercial Winery. On Friday 24th a number of day tours, covering Wagga & district libraries, Canberra libraries, or Riverina sightseeing have been arranged and will be offered subject to demand.

The Registration Fee covers all sessions of the Conference, pre-conference papers, and all morning & afternoon teas. Those paying the fee for all 3 days will also receive a copy of the Conference Proceedings. The cost of the Conference Dinner, accommodation, and the optional tours are not included in the registration fee.

REGISTRATION FEES

LAA Members \$110 Non-members LAA \$140 Students \$60

Special RatesLAA MembersNon-membersDay rate\$40\$60Day rate (student)\$20\$30

CONFERENCE DINNER

Included in accommodation fee if staying on-campus. If not, the Conference dinner fee will be \$25.

REGISTER NOW!

All fees should be received by the Steering Committee no later than 29 May 1987. A discount of 15% applies until 24 April, 1987.

For further enquiries, brochures, and registration forms, please contact:

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