

# ... from the Executive Director



ment of this joint agenda depended heavily upon a positive approach to co-operation at all levels by both ALIA and ACLIS.

## A new *InCite*

You will have noticed some changes to this first issue of *InCite* for 1989.

With the name change for the Association to the Australian Library and Information Association being effective as of 1 January 1989, it was an appropriate occasion to implement some additional changes.

*InCite* has been redesigned by Stephen Cole, and Ed Highley and David Keightley have been appointed as editors.

Even though *InCite* will be produced in Canberra during this year, it will still be printed and distributed from Sydney. Tanya Vojsk will still manage all of the advertising for *InCite* from ALIA's Sydney office.

*InCite's* format has been changed to A4, which should mean that it is easier to manage when being read, and also be easier to shelve. This new format has become an industry standard, and *InCite* will continue to be produced in this format.

We are pleased with the new look for *InCite*, and we hope that you will like it too.

Sue Kosse  
Executive Director

## ALIA and ACLIS cooperate

ALIA and ACLIS have taken very seriously their responsibilities to achieve the resolutions from the October 1988 Australian Libraries Summit for which each has a joint responsibility.

On Friday December 9 1988 the Presidents and Vice-Presidents and Executive Officers of ALIA and ACLIS met to discuss how best to achieve the joint responsibilities.

In general it was decided that cooperation could be achieved at a number of levels between Presidents or Executive Officers and at the state level between State Committees/Branches.

These initial discussions concluded that initially the priority areas consideration would be user pays, the ALIA's Information for the Nation Campaign, lobbying, public libraries, funding access and new technology.

Both the ALIA and ACLIS representatives agreed that the successful achieve-

## 1989 ALIA MEETINGS

### Executive Committee

Friday 10 February	Deadline 27 January
Thursday 16 March	Deadline 2 March
Friday 19 May	Deadline 5 May
Tuesday 18 July	Deadline 4 July
Friday 22 September	Deadline 8 September
Thursday 23 November	Deadline 9 November

### General Council

Friday-Saturday 17-18 March	Deadline 13 February
Friday-Saturday 21-22 July	Deadline 19 June
Friday-Saturday 24-25 November	Deadline 23 October

### Board of Education

Thursday-Friday 16-17 February	Deadline 1 February
Thursday-Friday 22-23 June	Deadline 7 June
Thursday-Friday 19-20 October	Deadline 4 October

### Publications Board

Friday 10 February	Deadline 20 January
Wednesday 5 July	Deadline 14 June
Wednesday 1 November	Deadline 11 October

### Annual General Meeting

Thursday 21 September

## FEEDBACK ... continued

and the opportunity it has given me to meet colleagues from other sectors of librarianship. My involvement with the Association will continue next year as Past President, and in the national sphere as a member of the Board of Education and Convener of the Information For The Nation campaign.

I wish the 1989 executive every success. There is much more lobbying to be done before we win.

Anne M. Hazell

## Local history conference

Recently, the first Local History Collections Conference was held in South Australia. Over sixty librarians, historians, Mortlock Library staff, and educators attended the conference which was opened by the chairman of the Libraries Board of South Australia, Mr Des Ross. State Librarian, Mr Euan Miller, by his attendance, showed support for the increasing importance that Local History Collections are assuming in South Australian Public Libraries.

Speakers included library staff, archivists, history lecturers, writers of local histories and History Trust staff. Participants listened to papers on the development of and trends in Australian History, practical advice on the logistics of setting up a Local History Collection,

storage techniques for paper based objects and the role of Local History Collection in a public library. At the conference, History Trust's Brian Samuels released two chronological lists. These were 'State-level voluntary organisations involved in preserving and promoting South Australian history: historical chronology' and government initiatives for the preservation and promotion of South Australian history: a select historical chronology'.

The conference attracted participants from far flung centres of South Australia including Hawker, Mount Gambier, Ceduna and Kangaroo Island. It was held in the new premises of the Public Libraries Branch at inner-suburban Hindmarsh and was arranged and co-ordinated by Ros Paterson, the Branch's Local History Project Officer. Her twelve month appointment is seen as an opportunity to survey Local History Collections throughout the state to produce a register and to provide an advisory and consultancy service to public libraries, especially those planning new collections. It is hoped that the conference assisted in this goal.

Conference papers are currently being printed for sale and distribution and cost \$5.50 including postage.

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## NSW Young Ones

The final meeting for 1988 for the Young Ones was held at the State Library of NSW on 29th November. The meeting saw the launch of a new booklet entitled 'Job Hunting in Library and Information Work'. Compiled by Louise Lansley and Jo-Anne Fuller of the LAA, the nine page booklet thoroughly outlines the important procedures to keep in mind when preparing yourself for job interviews. It provides details of job sources; newspapers, LAA, Professional Employment Service, CES, employment agencies, library schools and government gazettes. Concisely written, the booklet is an essential source of information that could well help you secure the job that you really want. I found it particularly informative and well set out, such that I intend to revise my current portfolio. Congratulations to Louise and Jo-Anne on a job well done. Response to the booklet has been tremendous so contact the LAA now to be sure that you don't miss out on a free copy.

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