

Lyn Barakat previously Deputy Librarian, Sutherland Shire Library and Information Service has been appointed Manager of the Service, while Diana Oliver, the previous Shire Librarian, is now Director of the new Division of Library and Community Services. Valerie Noake, Senior Librarian, Children's and Young Adult Services at Sutherland has moved to Western Australia to be the State Library's Young People's Services Consultant.

Sue Boaden has recently been appointed Library Services Manager at Warringah Shire Library. After spending 6 years in public libraries in the 70s, Sue established the Information Resources Centre at the Resource and Information Branch of the Australian Film, Television and Radio School.

Barb McLean, recently appointed Chief Librarian at Lane Cove Public Library, was previously Deputy Librarian at the University of Technology, Kuring-gai Campus Library.

**Robert Boot** has recently been appointed Principal Librarian, Health Sciences, coordinating the work of four off- campus Health Sciences Libraries of the University of Queensland, three of which are run jointly with Hospital Boards.

Robert Boot was formerly Chief Librarian in charge of the Central Medical Library of the Northern Territory Department of Health and Country Services. Prior to that he held several senior positions at the National Library of Australia.

Several new appointments have been made in the School of Library and Information Studies following the amalgamation of Kuring-gai College with the University of Technology, Sydney, and the Institute of Technical and Adult Teacher Education (formerly part of the Sydney College of Advanced Education).

Dr Mairead Browne has been promoted to Professor of Information Studies. Dr Glenn Lowry and Joyce Kirk have been promoted to Associate Professor positions. The amalgamation of the institutions took effect from 1 January 1990.

Mary Groutsch has been appointed by CLSI Australia as a Customer Support Consultant for its LIBS 100 integrated library automation system.

Mary Groutsch, a librarian, with experience in turnkey systems and special and academic libraries, will join CLSI's Southern Region support section and will concentrate on application software support on the UNIX based LIBS 100 system.

The Canadian Library Association is pleased to announce the appointment of **Sharon Henry** as its new Executive Director.

Sharon Henry has over twenty years experience in the library, management and administration fields. She was most recently with joint World Bank - International Monetary Fund Library in Washington, DC. Prior to this position she was with the International Development Research Centre in Ottawa, the Data Clearing House for Social Science and the National Library.

Sharon Henry replaces Jane Cooney who will open a business bookstore in downtown Toronto.

James O'Brien has resigned from his position as Chief Librarian at Kuringgai CAE to continue his tour of the world, and it is with extreme regret that all library staff who have known or worked with him see him leave.

James came to Australia in 1972 and worked as Serials Librarian at the University of New England. The project to microfilm country newspapers with Pascoe is a legacy from the days James spent at New England. In 1973 he became Head of Bibliographic Services, and later Chief Librarian at Salisbury CAE In South Australia. In 1977 he took up the appointment as Chief Librarian, Kuring-gai CAE.

Mary Anne Secker has been appointed to the new position of librarian at the Queensland Talking Book Library at Annerley, Brisbane.

Originally involved in theatre production, Mary Anne qualified with a Graduate Diploma of Librarianship at the Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology in 1980. Her first position as a librarian was a cataloguer/computer liaison officer at the Science Museum of Victoria, cataloguing museum objects. She also worked in temporary positions in Hobart in the public library and a departmental library.

For the past 7 years, Mary Anne has been employed at the University of Tasmania, most recently holding the position of Special Collections Librarian.

At the Queensland Talking Book Library, Mary Anne is assisted by two long-term employees - Ian Stewart (MBE) who has worked in the library since 1951 and Margaret Cambridge with 9 years experience.



Mary Anne Secker

Warwick Dunstan who has been the State Librarian at the State Library of Tasmania for the past 3 years has been seconded to the Department of Environment and Planning to plan the proposed response to oil spills on the Tasmanian coastline. **Bev Ewins** will be Acting State Librarian until a new appointment is made.



## ALIA Honorary Awards

Nomination for the HCL Anderson Award, the Redmond Barry Award and the Ellinor Archer Award close on 28 February 1990. Nominations for Letter of Recognition may be made at any time.

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