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### Collection moved

When the problem was identified the whole collection was moved from the vault where it had been stored for more than a decade, to a more modern storage area operating within tighter archival humidity and temperature tolerances. It is still in the new store.

The NFSA has continued to undertake a series of scientific studies on aspects of the problem. It has sought the assistance of external film experts, a major film manufacturer, CSIRO and the Australian National University. There has also been consultation with overseas experts.

As a result of the studies, NFSA film conservators are confident that they can completely remove the effects of the ferrotyping, mould and emulsion softening that have been encountered to date, provided corrective action is taken quickly. Although further work needs to be done on the magnetic stripe lifting phenomenon, conservators are optimistic that this will also prove to be treatable.

The NFSA has diverted all available trained staff to examine and rewind a larger sample of films, to establish more precisely the nature and incidence of the defects. About 100 000 feet of film a day is currently being examined.

The NFSA is in the process of writing to all film owners advising them in detail of the colour film problem and promising that they will be further advised if any of their films are found to be blemished. Where blemishes are found their permission will be sought to apply conservation treatment to rectify the problem. An assessment is being made of the resources needed.



## Anne Harrison Award

### Frances Bluhdorn

The second recipient of the Anne Harrison Award was announced at the ALIA Health Libraries AGM in Auckland. Frances Bluhdorn from the Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, Sydney, is being supported to undertake a project which aims to develop an instrument to evaluate the library's contribution to patient care. This instrument, will be employed by hospital librarians to assess the impact of the information they provide on the care of the patient.

This tool can then be used in the quality assurance process and also will serve to illustrate the role of the library and its importance in the overall care of the patient. A similar study has been carried out in the United States, so this study will provide information in an Australian context.

Frances, in accepting the award, expressed pleasure in being afforded the opportunity to promote and research in the field of medical librarianship, following the example set by Anne Harrison.

The applications received for this year's award, though not many in number, were of good quality. The 1989 Award Committee wishes to thank all those who applied and to strongly encourage everyone to consider making application in the future as this Award is a valuable aid to furthering medical and health librarianship in Australia.

Maree Millard  
Secretary

Anne Harrison Award  
Administrators



Mary Anne Ross (left), Secretary, Health Libraries Section, National Group, presenting the Anne Harrison Award to the 1989 recipient, Frances Bluhdorn, Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, Sydney.

### James Cook Bicentenary Scholarship (Redvertisement) (Management Internship)

1. Applications are invited for the James Cook Bicentenary Scholarship for 1990-91. The Scholarship has a total value of \$A25,000 and is funded by Blackwell's (Oxford) and Blackwell North America.
2. In 1990-91 the Scholarship is available to fund travel and associated expenses to enable an Australian or New Zealand Librarian to spend a period as a management intern in a British or North American library or libraries. Several libraries in the United Kingdom and Canada have expressed interest in hosting an intern and the Selectors will assist the successful candidate in making contacts if necessary. Candidates are also free to propose arrangements with other libraries.
3. Candidates should be Australian or New Zealand citizens of at least five years standing and should not be more than 45 years of age. They should hold library positions at middle management level in a large library or a management position in a smaller library. Equal consideration will be given to female and male candidates.
4. Applications should include evidence of leadership potential, by way of referees' reports and personal achievement. Details of the proposed internship(s) and application of funds must be submitted as well as an indication of the benefits anticipated and future career expectations.
5. Candidates should be eligible for professional membership of the Australian Library and Information Association or the New Zealand Library Association.
6. No specific duration has been set for the period of internship, which may be taken at any time during 1990 or 1991, but candidates will be required to demonstrate to the Selection Panel that the expenses associated with the proposed internship are reasonably commensurate with the funds available. Expenses may include some contribution towards the cost of an accompanying family or partner.
7. The successful candidate is expected to return to Australia or New Zealand to bring the benefit of expanded knowledge and experience to the management of a library or libraries in those countries. A Report of not more than 4000 to 5000 words commenting on the management experience gained during the tenure of the Scholarship must be provided to the Convener of the Selection Panel within three months of return to Australia or New Zealand.
8. The Scholarship will be awarded by a Panel consisting of Margaret Cameron, Deakin University, Alison Crook, State Library of New South Wales, Peter Durey, University of Auckland and Derek Fielding, University of Queensland.
9. The decision of the Selection Panel will be final and no appeals will be heard.
10. Applications should be forwarded to Derek Fielding, Convener, James Cook Bicentenary Scholarship Selection Panel, c/o Central Library, University of Queensland, St. Lucia, Queensland 4067 (from whom further information may be obtained) to arrive no later than 28 February 1990.