## RMIT student honoured

RMIT student Ajnejeo Louise Vella has been awarded the Thomas H Woodrow Memorial Award for 1990. Ajnejeo is a third-year undergraduate student completing the Bachelor of Social Science in Librarianship at the Royal Institute of Technology.

The Thomas H Woodrow Memorial Trust was established in 1977 in memory of the late Thomas Woodrow, the first City Librarian of Camberwell and later the first Chief Librarian of the

Camberwell-Waverley Regional Library. Each year the Trust awards a sum of money and a medallion to an outstanding student of librarianship from the Ballarat University college or RMIT

The presentation ceremony took place recently at the Balwyn Library. Guest speaker for the evening, Professor Margaret Cameron, Pro Vice-Chancellor and Librarian of Deakin University addressed the audience of trustees,



Ajnejeo Vella receives the award and a cheque for \$1500 from the Chairman of Trustees, John Jackson.

councillors, municipal employees and librarians from throughout Melbourne. In her address Professor Cameron spoke of the importance of the written word, the need for ready access to reading material for the purpose of information, enjoyment and education and of the vital role public libraries played in meeting this need.

> Lee H Ellis City Librarian

## **Permanent paper**

In our review of Dorothy Green's Writer, Reader, Critic we quoted the publisher's claim that the book is 'probably the first Australian book to state that the permanence of the paper conforms with the USA standard'. Bitter experience proves that such claims are always dangerous. John Mills, Coordinator of the Centre for Information Studies at Charles Sturt University draws our attention to the Centre's title Preservation in Australian and New Zealand Libraries (Topics in Australasian library and information studies, No 3), published last year. This book includes a similar statement of compliance with the Permanent Paper Standard issued by the US National Information Standards Organisation (Z39.48-1984).

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