

Changes in Information Studies area at University of Technology, Sydney

From January 1991 the former School of Library and Information Studies of UTS-Kuring-gai will merge with the Department of Communication Studies at Kuringgai to become the School of Information Studies.

The new School is headed-up by Associate Professor Joyce Kirk. Joyce is formerly of the Department of Information Studies and Assistant to the Head of the School of Library and Information Studies in 1989-1990.

Professor Mairéad Browne will take up the position of Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences for a 3year period from January 1991.

Other staff news includes: • Promotion of Dr Barbara Poston-Anderson and Dr Bill Ticehurst to Associate Professor.

• Appointment of Susan Edwards for a 1-year period as one of a group of five experienced researchers in the University. The project has been funded by the Department of Employment, Education and Training to assist in the development of the University's research program.



David Sachs

Stowe Computing Australia has appointed **David Sachs** as Branch Manager, Victoria.

Mr Sachs has extensive experience in the local government and library markets in Queensland and New South Wales. He has 10 years' experience in the computer industry with major manufacturers as a consultant.

His role with Stowe will be to further develop the user base, particularly in the local government and library areas where Stowe is a market leader in Victoria, and to ensure the continued success of existing sites.

Fay Nicholson, past president of ELISS, and Chairperson of the Board of Education until February 1991, has recently left her position as Senior Lecturer in the Library and Information Studies Department, Institute of Education, University of Melbourne. Fay will continue her many professional interests: she is still on the ELISS Committee, will be undertaking consultancies and some teaching. As a Director of FLIS Training Pty Ltd, she will be designing and delivering training programs for library staff at all levels.

Jan Bennellick is now working 3 days a week in the Triad office. She will provide support for all users, with their problems and with their design needs and will run some of the Triad training courses.

Tom Cochrane, previously University Librarian at QUT, has been appointed to head the Division of Information Services at that University. The Division was formed as part of the structural changes which took place at QUT when it amalgamated with three of the four campuses at the former Brisbane CAE. It comprises the University Library, Computing Services, Audiovisual Services, Computer Based Education, Film and Video Production, and External Studies sections. QUT, now one of the largest universities in Australia, developed a structure during 1990 comprising eight large Faculties and three non academic Divisions, each reporting direct to the Vice Chancellor or Deputy Vice Chancellor.

The appointment means that Tom is responsible for the management of all services delivering information to the staff and students of QUT. He believes that this structure should foster an integrated approach to various issues, especially the use of information technology in support of research and teaching.

Gaynor Austen, formerly head of the BCAE Resource Centre, has been appointed as the new University Librarian. The QUT Library has been reorganised, with three



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Associate University Librarians to be (internally) appointed.

The appointments of Director of Information Services and University Librarian took effect on 1 January 1991.

Sue McKnight has been appointed Divisional Librarian - Reader Services, Deakin University Library. She is based at Geelong but has functional responsibility for reader services at both the Geelong and Warrnambool campuses of the University. Sue brings to this position a wealth of library experience, principally in academic and special libraries, as well as private consulting experience in library automation and information technology. She has held senior positions in all areas of library management - reader services, technical services and systems.

Prior to joining Deakin she was Associate Librarian in charge of systems implementation at the University of Queensland. Before this Sue was deputy Technical Services Librarian at UQ. From 1978 to 1985 she was Chief Librarian for the Queensland Electricity Commission, establishing a first class reference and information service for one of Queensland's largest statutory authorities. Her experience also includes 4 years at the Queensland Parliamentary Library and 3 years in local government libraries.

Sue holds professional library qualifications and a Bachelor of Business, and has submitted her dissertation for Master of Public Administration. She is a member of the Australian Institute of Management and the Australian Computer Society.