

VICTECH?

The Library Technicians Section, Victorian Group is reviving, says Julie Boyd. If you are a library technician in Victoria, Julie would like to hear from you. Contact her on tel (03) 596 8155, fax (03) 596 8109 to let her know what you think about the Group re-forming, and what you would like it to do.

And note the Christmas function on 30 November (details in Events)—a great opportunity to meet your colleagues and catch up with what's happening around the traps. ■

State visits by o/s speakers

Enid Roberts has been planning beyond the Cataloguing conf.

The keynote speakers at the 10th National Cataloguing Conference, in Fremantle on 4-6 November, Philip Bryant and Annelise Mark Pejtersen, will be visiting other capital cities in November to speak at meetings of State groups of the Cataloguers' Section.

Philip Bryant is Director of the UK Office for Library and Information Networking and his paper will address whether the potential of new technology for providing subject information through library catalogues is being fully exploited.

Annelise Mark Pejtersen is Project Manager at the Centre for Cognitive Informatics, Riso National Laboratory, Roskilde University, Denmark, and has developed the hypermedia book House system for information indexing and retrieval of fiction. She will consider the application of studies of user behaviour to the retrieval of subject information.

The dates and contacts for the meetings are: Adelaide, 15 November, Jay Douglas (08) 302 6773. Melbourne, 16 November, Fay Pattinson (03) 564 1619. Canberra, 18 November, Carol Gould (06) 277 2579. Sydney, 22 November, Sue Thomas (02) 230 1584. Brisbane, 24 November, Jeanette Rosengren (07) 875 7687. ■

NSW Acquisitions Basics seminar

Geraldine Barkworth says "outstanding success!"

The outstanding success of the NSW Acquisitions Group's *Acquisitions Basics* full day seminar has prompted the group to plan more seminars on popular issues in the future.

The seminar was held at the State Library of NSW and covered a broad range of acquisitions theory and practise, from supplier evaluation to budgeting and ordering. Speakers included representatives from both the library profession and the library supply industry. Participants became acquainted with a variety of concepts and view points not usually covered in formal library training courses.

A feature of the seminar was the launch by Margy Burn, Director of Collection Services at the State Library of NSW, of the third edition of *The Directory of Australian Library Suppliers*.

Judging by the positive comments from the participants of the seminar the need for this type of 'in service' training is clear and is an area where

ALIA Groups can play an active and positive role.

The NSW Acquisitions Group would like to hear from any members or others who would be interested in becoming more active members of the



Margy Burn launches the Directory

Group. They also extend an open invitation to attend their Christmas Party on Wednesday, 1 December.

For details of the Group and the Christmas Party please call Judy Ryan on (02) 689 5724 or Ross Coleman on (02) 692 3352. The *Directory* was edited by Judith Bundy and published in Adelaide by AUSLIB Press. Telephone (08) 278 4363. (ISBN 1875145214). ■

AARNet and CWIS laid bare

The Information Science Section has arranged two exposés in Sydney

Would you like to know more about AARNet? It is the Australian Academic and Research Network, which is part of the Internet, providing access to information sources worldwide.

If you are interested in seeing some of the services and resources available through AARNet, or are wondering how to become an AARNet user, come to the meeting arranged by the Information Science Section on Thursday, 18 November, at Lecture Theatre B107, UTS Markets Campus, Quay Street, Sydney. Enter the UTS Markets building 50 metres beyond the Market tower.

The program includes refreshments from 5.30pm, a talk at 6pm by Geoff Huston, AARNet Technical Manager, followed at 7pm by a services and resources demonstration.

And for those interested in using and setting up Campus Wide Information Systems (CWIS), the Information Science Section is arranging a meeting on Wednesday, 8 December, at Macquarie University Library, to be addressed by Tony Barry, Centre for Networked Access to Scholarly Information, ANU.

For details see Events in this issue of *inCite*, or contact Enid Roberts (02) 327 2787 or Gaye McDermott (02) 266 2205. ■