



as vitally important, as the Library begins to look at the enormous issue of access or ownership.

As a result of the pilot project, the library has realised the need to market strongly, and marketing will be a vital

component of the new service. It is clear that researchers need to be made aware of the speed and reliability with which some of these new document delivery services can provide required information. The *Research Express*

*Research Express Service*  
Coordinator Kathryn Pearson and  
Associate Professor Patsy Armati

Service is seen as a positive step in beginning to address the issues surrounding access or ownership. ■

## ALF's off!

We regret to advise that the Australian Library Fair has been postponed to 1995.

The Fair was virtually booked out by suppliers keen to develop and explore the library market. Interest from library staff has been extraordinary. However, we have been placed in a position where all logistics for the handling of the Fair have been required, at this late stage, to be directed through the ABPA and their contractors, Expertise Events.

Because of this, we cannot guarantee control of the event, and have reluctantly decided not to proceed at this stage.

The stated purpose of the Australian Library Fair was to offer an opportunity for library suppliers and their customers to get together at low cost, at an independent event where the principal focus was on the trade exhibition. This has proved to be impossible this year, but the enthusiasm of suppliers and potential delegates demands that we begin planning for 1995 immediately.

It is our intention to continue the spirit of cooperation we have fostered to date to work towards an event which acknowledges the market strength of the library sector within the wider publishing industry.

We thank all concerned for their support—particularly ALIA and its Divisions, and all the library suppliers who committed their time and resources to the event.

*Greg Bain & Jo-anne Fuller*



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