

Recent arrivals in the National Office

Cheek, J, Dorskatsch, I, Hill, P, Walsh, L B (1995). *Finding out: information literacy for the 21st century*. Melbourne: Macmillan.

This book grew from an Open Learning package called *Finding out: using information* which was developed by the authors. It is aimed at equipping students (and others) with the skills required to identify, research, analyse and present information. 123 pages. Includes index and diagrams. RRP \$19.95. 135mm x 207mm. PB. ISBN 0 7329 3219 X.

Gorman, G E, Cornish, B A (1995). *How much did you say? A descriptive survey of library buying patterns and library supply in Australia*. Wagga Wagga: Centre for Information Studies.

This is a report of a study which aimed to: determine the total funds expended by the major library sectors on monographs, serials and other published library materials; determine the proportions of funds spent with Australian-based suppliers and overseas suppliers; and determine the reasons for buying patterns. This report was funded by the ALIA Acquisitions Section (Victoria Group), ACLIS and the Centre for Information Studies. 81 pages. Includes appendices and diagrams. RRP \$30. A4. SB. ISBN 0 949060 31 3. Available from the

Centre for Information Studies, Locked Bag 660, Wagga Wagga, NSW 2678.

Who's who of Australian writers 2nd edition (1995). Port Melbourne: D W Thorpe.

A comprehensive work with over 6 000 entries including pseudonyms, biographical details, awards, list of works and articles, qualifications, contact details, fields of specialisation, etc. Fully cross referenced. 822 pages. Includes index and appendix. RRP \$75. 248mm x 185mm. HB. ISBN 1 875589 20 1. Available from D W Thorpe.

Keating, J (1995). *Australian training reform: implications for schools*. Carlton, Vic: Curriculum Corporation.

A guide for secondary school teachers to recent changes in vocational education and training and the impact of training reforms. Though not directly discussed, these reforms will have implications for teacher librarians and on the role of the school library. Includes suggestions for further reading and sources of information. Includes glossary and list of abbreviations. Diagrams. 88 pages. B5. PB. RRP \$14.95. ISBN 1 86366 269 3. Available from Curriculum Corporation, PO Box 177, Carlton South, Victoria 3053.

Strehlow, T J (1995). *Index to Victorian Parliamentary Papers 1950-92*. Melbourne: Victorian Government Printer.

Much more than an index. Contains succinct background notes on the statutory origins of the departments, instrumentalities, committees and commissions whose publications it covers. Includes location of papers in Baillieu. 263 pages. Includes appendices. RRP \$45. B5. PB. ISBN 0 7306 5535 0. Available from the Law Printer, 52 Chetwynd St. West Melbourne, Viv 3003 and library suppliers.

Strehlow, T J and Ford, C W (1995). *Index to Victorian Parliamentary Papers, 1900/01 - 1946*. Melbourne: Baillieu library, university of Melbourne.

Similar arrangement to 1950-92 index. 309 pages. Includes appendices. RRP \$55. A4. PB. ISBN 07325 0081 8. Available from Baillieu Library and from library suppliers.

Australian men and women of science, engineering and technology (1995). Port Melbourne: Reed Reference Australia.

A directory of near 3 500 of Australia's key scientists and engineers. Details include home and work address, qualifications, major achievements, awards and honours, specialisation, employment. 680 pages. Includes indexes. RRP \$110. A4. HB. ISBN 1 875589 64 3. Available from D W Thorpe.

Public librarianship, a critical nexus: proceedings of the Public Libraries Research Forum, Monash University, 8 April 1994 (1995) (Monash Occasional Papers in Librarianship, Record Keeping and Bibliography). Melbourne: Acona Press.

Edited by B J McMullin and Rhada Rasmussen. Papers include: The link between research and practice; In-house use of public libraries; Housebound library services; The public library and user education; Cultural activities for adults; Integrated automated systems; Selection and acquisitions theory and practice; Public libraries and social issues; Reading and censorship. vii +162 pages. RRP \$25 (inc p and p). 250mm x 175mm. PB. ISBN 0 86862 021 1. Available from Department of Librarianship, archives and Records, Monash University, Clayton, Victoria, 3168.

Chinese library on the net

The ANU library has recently launched a project to make available on the internet the vast serials collections of the National Library of China. The project, which is funded by a substantial grant from the Australia China Council, was launched by the Foreign Minister, Gareth Evans.

The Chinese Library and Information Research Network (CLIRNET) and the Chinese Internet Serials Database is a cooperative project between the ANU library and the National Library of China which aims at making information contained in current Chinese serials available on the internet.

The first phase of the project will be to establish an Australian

Electronic Information Centre in the National Library of China and to facilitate links to the ANU library to improve the flow of information between them. The centre will build on the extensive links existing between China and the ANU and improve the exchange of information between Australia and China. The project will involve the training of two staff from the National Library of China at the ANU in the information technology utilised by the project.

The data base combines the National Library of China's huge collections with the ANU library's technological expertise to provide bilingual access to information from and about China to the international academic and business community. ■