

# Information Specialists Division is ready to serve...

The newly-formed Information Specialists Division (ISD), which is a merger of the former Information Science Section and the NSW division of the Special Libraries Section, is gearing up with a new committee and agenda for its future activities.

The president of the ISD, Elizabeth Swan, of Information Edge Pty Ltd, said that the *Information Online* conference, which has been a success since its inception in 1986, will continue to be run by the Information Specialists Division.

The 10<sup>th</sup> conference, *Information Online 2001*, will be held at Darling Harbour, Sydney, from 16–18 January 2001. A very exciting and informative program has been developed, the exhibition is almost full, and this is certainly an event that no ISD member should miss. Mary Ellen Bates, Clare Hart, Stevan Harnad, Greg Notess and Neil McLean are keynote speakers. For further details, visit the conference website at <http://www.csu.edu.au/special/online2001/>.

With Mary Anne Kennan as con-

venor, the conference committee has put in a huge effort to make *Information Online 2001* a success. Conference brochures are now available. If you have not received one, please contact a committee member.

On the ISD committee are:

- president: Elizabeth Swan, Information Edge Pty Ltd
- secretary: Elizabeth Drynan, Enterprise Information Management Pty Ltd
- treasurer: Enid Roberts

- members: Julia Bale, Pymble Ladies College, NSW;

Paul Bentley, The Wolanski Foundation;

Ilana Cohen, University of New South Wales;

Mary Anne Kennan, AGSM, University of New South Wales;

Lyn McCullagh (formerly Macquarie University Library);

Rosemary McLauchlan, Securities Institute of Australia;

Robin Shelley-Jones (formerly CSIRO); and

Jan Titcombe, Deutsche Bank.

The Information Science Section surveyed its members in 1999. This survey has provided very useful data about members' needs. The new division will extend the survey to those members who formerly belonged to the NSW Special Libraries Section, in order to collect data about their needs. In this way, we believe we will be better able to plan a program that is stimulating and attractive to all our members.

Affinity programs are being investigated to add extra value to membership of the Division, we hope to advise members shortly of arrangements we have put in place for them to receive discounts on some products.

For further information about the new division contact the division secretary Elizabeth Drynan, e-mail: [olc@pnc.com.au](mailto:olc@pnc.com.au); or for more information about the *Information Online 2001* conference contact conference committee secretary, Paul Bentley, e-mail: [pbentley@idx.com.au](mailto:pbentley@idx.com.au). ■

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