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• **21/10–9/12 SA Library Technicians.** *General meeting.* Venue: tba. 21/10, 18/11, 9/12. For more information contact: Jennifer Bodey, ph 08 8405 6587, jbodey@portenf.sa.gov.au

• **30/10 RAIS (SA).** *'I know this is a dumb question... : getting reference right'* Speakers headed by Fran Wilson (National Library of Australia). Ira Raymond Room, Barr Smith Library, University of Adelaide. Registration from 12:30pm, speakers 1–4:30pm. Cost: tba. Further details and registration form available soon.

• **1/11 ALIA Acquisitions National Seminar.** *Acquisitions — the new age.* TownHouse on Hindley, Adelaide, 9–5pm. Cost: \$77 members, \$55 students, \$99 non-members, lunch included. Contact: Jenni Jeremy, secretary, ph 08 8302 0318, jenni.jeremy@unisa.edu.au

• **2–3/11 SA Library Technicians.** *Weekend workshop at Mount Brecken, Victor Harbor.* Contact: Jennifer Bodey, ph 08 8405 6587, jbodey@portenf.sa.gov.au

• **27/11 Academic, Research and Collection Management.** *End of year event,* guest speaker: Helen Hennessey, Office for the Commissioner for Public Employment (OCPE), on 'Library services and collection management within the public service'. Venue: tba.

VIC

• **October ALIA Special Libraries (Vic).** *Special Library visit.* Further details: tba.

• **1/10 Victorian Library Technicians.** *Committee meeting.* Meet us in the Library foyer at Deakin University, Burwood Campus. Everyone is welcome, no charge. Light supper provided. *RSVPs essential:* Kerrie Kelly, ph 03 8664 7128, kkelly@slv.vic.gov.au

3/10 CAVAL training activities. *Web resources for cataloguers.* CARM Center, 4 Park Drive, Bundoora, 1:30–4:30pm. Cost: \$132 CAVAL/ALIA members, non-members \$110. Contact: Eve Cornish, evcec@caval.edu.au, register online at http://www.caval.edu.au/Services/rego_form.html

4/10 CAVAL training activities. *Cataloguing non-book materials.* CARM Center, 4 Park Drive, Bundoora, 9:30–12:30pm. Cost: \$132 CAVAL/ALIA members, non-members \$110. Contact: Eve Cornish, evcec@caval.edu.au, register online at http://www.caval.edu.au/Services/rego_form.html

10/10 CAVAL training activities. *Introduction to metadata.* CAVAL Collaborative Solutions, 4 Park Drive, Bundoora, 9:30–12:30pm. Cost: \$110 CAVAL/ALIA members, non-members \$132. Contact: Eve Cornish, evcec@caval.edu.au, register online at http://www.caval.edu.au/Services/rego_form.html

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ALIA: making the difference

ALIA National Policy Congress 2002

The National Policy Congress (NPC) is an important consultative mechanism to ensure that ALIA members have input into the policy-making process of the Association. The program for the Congress includes discussion of policy and issues of relevance to the sector as a whole, and policy, issues, and operational matters of relevance to the Association. The Congress may make recommendations to the Board of Directors.

In 2002 the NPC will focus on policy and issues of relevance to the sector as a whole.

The ALIA Board of Directors has decided to use a new model for this year's NPC. The 2002 Congress will be held in two stages.

Stage 1

- Regional NPC meetings will be held in each capital city.
- Each group will be able to send one delegate to the nearest regional meeting.
- The meetings will be held in late September through to early October. The details for these meetings are available at <http://www.alia.org.au/npc/2002/>.
- Each of these regional meetings will discuss three major items:
 - the ALIA draft planning document for 2003 and 2004, *ALIA making the difference*;
 - the Information Agenda based on the outcomes of the ALIA 2002 Conference, and the Peak Bodies Forum held at the National Library of Australia in February 2002, and

- the review of progress since the 2001 National Policy Congress.

- Regional meetings will select a delegate for each State/Territory to attend the National Policy Congress in Canberra.
- Reports will be sent from each of the regional NPC meetings to National Office and will be made available to members through the website. The information from these reports will be incorporated into the agenda for the National Policy Congress in Canberra.

Stage 2

- The National Policy Congress will be held in Canberra on 1 and 2 November 2002 at ALIA House. There will be about thirty delegates consisting of the eight State/Territory delegates, members of the ALIA Board of Directors, delegates from issues-based ALIA groups with interests relevant to the NPC Agenda, and representatives of external peak bodies.
- The agenda for the NPC in Canberra will include further discussion of the 2003 and 2004 draft plan *ALIA: making the difference*, the Information Agenda, a report on the progress of the LISEKA project and discussion of the outcomes and progress made on recommendations of the 2001 NPC.

If you have any questions regarding the National Policy Congress please contact Georgina Dale at the ALIA National Office, phone 02 6215 8229, or e-mail georgina.dale@alia.org.au. ■

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