

## Web 2.0 Seminar

A seminar focusing on Web 2.0 and the library community was held on Tuesday 27th November at the National Library (NLA). Run jointly by Charles Sturt University and NLA, over 150 people listened to a range of speakers, discussing topics related to the broad theme of the delivering of Web services and client usage.

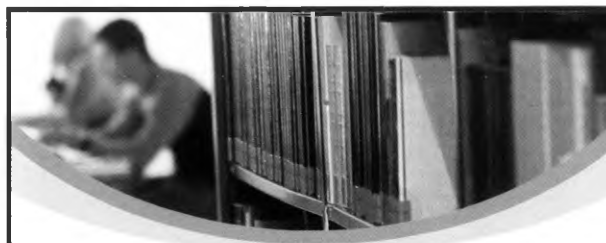
Following the opening welcome by Dr Warwick Cathro, speakers included Debbie Campbell of the NLA, Jake Wallis from CSU, Kathy Collier of the ANU while Chris Roosen, from PTG Global in Sydney gave a spoke on assessing user needs and requirements associated with a well defined web presence.

Michele Huston of the NLA provoked considerable interest comparing library catalogues to commercial organizations such as Amazon. Judy Hutchison and Greg Baker from the Parliamentary Library talked about Wikis and Nicola Cross and Michael Janssen-Gibson from the ABS previewed a new service to be launched where users can build their own search criteria to interrogate the 2006 census information. Nick Weare of the National Film and Sound Archive presented an overview of podcasting and its potential for libraries while Bob Pymm from CSU closed with a report on the introduction of e-books for recreational reading in the ACT Public Library System.

The audio and powerpoint presentations can be accessed from the NLA web site

<http://www.nla.gov.au/initiatives/meetings/web2prog.html>

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