

ACT

No group events listed for February or March. Check the events listing online at <http://www.alia.org.au/events/act.htm>

NSW

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NT

18 February 2009: Get Together, Airport Resort. 5:00pm for a 5:30 start. For more information, contact Warren Winship, ph 08 8922 0752, w.winship@darwin.nt.gov.au

18 March 2009: Library Tour, Casuarina Library. 5:00pm for a 5:30 start. For more information, contact Warren Winship, ph 08 8922 0752, w.winship@darwin.nt.gov.au

QLD

18 February 2009: QOPALs February Event Corrinne Hills – DRUGARM Resource Centre. Reporting on the New Librarians Symposium held in Melbourne, December 2008. DRUGARM Resource Centre Level 1, 24 Hamilton Place Bowen Hills Q 4006. For more information, contact Library, ph 07 3620 8824, librarytech@drugarm.com.au.

31 March 2009: QOPALs March Event Helen Gambley - Hopgood Ganim Lawyers. Time: 12 noon. Venue: Level 8, Waterfront Place1, Eagle Street, Brisbane. For more information, contact Helen Gambley, ph 07 3024 0391, h.gambley@hopgoodganim.com.au

SA

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TAS

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VIC

20 March 2009: Skool trek: Designed for those working in school libraries, this great networking opportunity will visit 3 innovative school libraries. Lunch and coach transportation provided (costs to follow). To join the mailing list or for more information, contact Kerrie Kelly, ph 03 8664 7155, kkelly@slv.vic.gov.au

WA

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National events and campaigns

1 December 2008–15 February 2009: Summer Reading Club 2009, <http://www.summerreadingclub.org.au/>

10 February 2009: Safer Internet Day, <http://www.saferinternetday.org>

14 February 2009: Library Lovers Day, <http://www.librarylovers.org.au/>

26 March 2009: ALIA Public Libraries Summit. The theme of the Summit is 'Setting a national agenda'. The Summit

will be held at the National Library of Australia. Attendance is by invitation only though anyone is welcome to make a submission. For more information, contact Marion Nicolson, marion.nicolson@alia.org.au or visit the website www.alia.org.au/summit09

Conferences

15–18 September 2009: ALIA National Library & Information Technicians Conference 2009, *Technology Technique Unique*, Adelaide. <http://conferences.alia.org.au/libtec2009/>

PD opportunities

For a listing of this month's PD opportunities, visit the online event listing: <http://www.alia.org.au/events/>

Non-ALIA conferences

23–27 August 2009: IFLA World Library and Information Congress

Libraries create futures: *Building on cultural heritage*, Milan, Italy. <http://www.ifla.org/IV/ifla75/index.htm>

31 August–4 September 2009: ICML 2009 - The 10th International Congress on Medical Librarianship, *Positioning the profession*, Brisbane. <http://www.icml2009.com/>

For a listing of other non-ALIA conferences, visit <http://www.alia.org.au/conferences/other.html>

Oh Christmas Tree, Oh Christmas Tree

In December I came across a blog which had a fantastic photo of a book Christmas tree. My Director thought it was a great idea and suggested I could make one for the ABS Library. I selected a range of bound ABS publications based on colours and size, such as the Pocket Compendium of Australian Statistics to Tasmanian Year Books. I made sure I used books we had multiple copies of so I wouldn't have to pull the tree apart when someone asked for a book in the tree!

The tree was a success in the ABS and received lots of positive comments. The ABS library continued the Christmas spirit this year by having the 'Library Olympics' which included speed shelving, Pictionary and Library



Staff at ABS Library and their Christmas tree

bowling! I've now taken the tree down and am not looking forward to the reshelving....

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