

# Project MIND . . . a column on Meeting the Information Needs of the Disabled

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## Help for parents of LD children

The association for Children With Learning Disabilities (ACLD) has just published a book, *My Child Can Learn* aimed at helping parents whose children have learning problems and are struggling to cope at school. This book has grown out of ACLD's experience with the queries and concerns of parents and professional workers who are closely associated with children with learning problems. It contains answers to common questions and a guide to services available in N.S.W. It is intended to be a resource book in which useful information can be found simply by turning to the relevant section. A quick reading of the whole provides a helpful overview of problems and possible solutions.

*My Child Can Learn* advises parents on early recognition; the where, when, how and who of successful assessment (i.e. testing); and the various intervention possibilities – social, recreational, medical, educational and vocational. Most importantly, it advises parents on the spread of resources (state wide) and how to make the most of what little is available.

Present research puts the number of children in N.S.W. with learning problems at 115,000 and the number of mildly intellectually handicapped at 22,400. These are staggering figures when you look at 13.54% of the total school population as being either mildly intellectually handicapped or having learning problems.

The cost is \$6.50 + \$1.00 postage and it is available from The Association for Children with Learning Disabilities, PO Box 52, Burwood 2134.

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## Large Print Periodicals

*Large Print Age* (Fortnightly): Subscription available from newsagents.

*New York Times Large Type Weekly*: New York Times Company, Large Print Edition, P.O. Box 2570, BOULDER, Colorado, 80302, USA, (\$48.97 p.a.).

*Large Print Wimmera Mail Times* (Fortnightly): C/o Wimmera Base Hospital, Bailie Street, HORSHAM, Vic. 3400. Tel: (053) 82 0111, (\$26.00 p.a.).

*Large Type Readers Digest* (Monthly): Louise Todd, Readers Digest, large type edition, P.O. Box 241, MOUNT MORRIS, Illinois, 61054, USA, (\$10.95 p.a.).

*Dialogue* (Quarterly) Articles poems and stories: Dialogue Publications Inc., 3100 S. Oak Park Avenue, BERWYN, Illinois 60402, USA, (\$12.00 p.a.).

*Guideposts* (Monthly) Christian magazine: Guideposts Associates, Inc., CARMEL, N.Y. 10512, USA, (\$4.00 p.a.).

*John Milton Magazine* (Monthly) Digest of Christian religious magazines: John Milton Society for the Blind, 29 W. 34th Street, 6th Floor, NEW YORK, N.Y. 10001, USA, (free).

*Musical Mainstream* (Bi-monthly): Music Section, National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, Library of Congress, WASHINGTON, D.C. 20542, USA, (free).

*Sunshine Magazine* (Monthly): Sunshine Magazine – Large Print Edition, P.O. Box 40, LITCHFIELD, Illinois 62056, USA, (\$10.50 p.a.).

*World Traveller* (Monthly) Social studies and science topics: Alexander Graham Bell Association for the Deaf, 3417 Volta Place, N.W., WASHINGTON, D.C. 20007, USA, (\$3.00).

Jan Murray

Round Table on Materials  
for Print Handicapped Readers

## Library Services to the Disabled

The South Australian Advisory Committee on Library Services to the Disabled commenced publication of an irregular newsletter in May 1982. Its aim is to increase

communication on provision of library services for those with special needs. Library services for mentally handicapped children, services for the handicapped in various South Australian libraries, booklists on deafness and disabled persons and the relevant special studies workshops of the LAA Conference are some of the topics covered.

The newsletter is available free of charge to any interested organisation or individual, from Margaret Bell Chairperson, SA Advisory Committee on Library Services to the Disabled, C/- Public Libraries Division, 121-125 The Parade, Norwood, SA 5069.

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## Physical education and the disabled

The 1982 ACHPER product and publications catalogue included a booklist of specialist reading suitable for teachers in tertiary institutions. These include a range of books on the subject of Physical Education and the disabled.

Allen, *Physical Activities for the Mentally Retarded*, AAHPERD, \$7.50; Arenheim & Sinclair, *The Clumsy Child*, Mosby, \$16.50; Bluell, *Physical Education & Recreation for the Visually Handicapped*, AAHPERD, \$7.50; Burnette et al, *A Practical Guide for Teaching the Mentally Retarded to Swim*, AAHPERD, \$8.00; Bluell, *Physical Education & Recreation for the Visually Handicapped*, AAHPERD, \$7.50; Guttman, *Textbook for the Disabled*, UOP, \$17.95; Hill, *Dance for Physically Disabled Persons*, AAHPERD, \$9.95; Klappholtz, *A Resource Guide in Sex Education for the Mentally Retarded*, AAHPERD, \$6.00; Moran et al, *Movement Experiences for the Mentally Retarded or the Emotionally Disturbed Child*, Burgess, \$18.95; Upton, *Physical and Creative Activities for the Handicapped*, Cambridge, \$16.50.

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## Tips from Your local bookie

### Three major new Australian publications on librarianship available from the James Bennett Group

*Guide to Australian Reference Books – Humanities*. LAA Sydney 1983, ISBN 0 86804 007 X. Compiled by Wilma Radford, the first of a projected series of reference aids.

*Innovation No Stranger: Essays in Honor of Ira Raymond*. Barr Smith Library 1982. ISBN 0 85864 072 4. See review, *InCite*, January 28, 1983. \$22.50

*Directory of Australian Public Libraries*. Anticipated publication, late February '83 ISSN 0729 4271. Published by the Library, Footscray Institute of Technology \$25.00

Compiled and edited by Alan Bundy. This is the first public libraries directory for 20 years. It includes national library, state libraries, public lending libraries and public library agencies. It is also a valuable source of statistical data.