

LAA Publishing: any ideas?

The LAA has appointed Sandra Forbes as Publishing Consultant to report on the LAA's book publications program. The aim is to establish how the Association's book publishing activities can be continued but rendered more financially viable.

Sandra, a former Director of the Australian Book Publishers Association, has a background in publishing, journalism and administration. She has been working as an independent publishing consultant since 1986. One of her consultancies last year was for the Australia Film, Television and Radio School, for whom she provided a report on the re-organisation of the publishing program — a project similar to the one she is now undertaking for the LAA.

Sandra is looking for input to her project from as many sources as possible. If you have any comments on the current book publishing activities of the LAA — including publication by Branches and Divisions — or any ideas about how these activities might be organised in the future, she would be very pleased to hear from you.

Although her brief does not encompass serials as such, she will also be looking at the serials to some extent because the skills and equipment necessary for their production are similar to those required for books: so comments on serials publication would also be welcomed.

Comments can be as brief as you like, but *must be in writing*. Please mark letters for Sandra's attention, c/o Kathy Husselbee, Publications Manager, LAA, 376 Jones St, Ultimo, NSW 2007.

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Executive Director

CATALOGUERS SECTION NATIONAL

National Cataloguers Conference 1988

The LAA Cataloguers Section (SA Group) is hosting the 1989 LAA National Cataloguer's Conference which will be held in Adelaide, 15-16 September 1989.

The conference will be concerned with the maintenance of cataloguing standards within automated networks and systems, and why these standards are as important now as ever before. The conference will look at the sources of bibliographic data in today's automated systems and networks; the training needs to maintain cataloguing standards; institutional and local system constraints on standards; and last but not least, the importance of cataloguing standards to library users.

The theme of the conference will be 'Garbage in, garbage out'. For further details contact: Philip Keane (08) 213 0184.

CANCELLATION

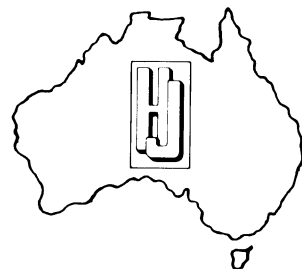
The IFLA Section of Public Libraries Workshop, on 'Measuring the Performance of Public Libraries', scheduled for Monday, 5 September 1988, has been cancelled. The keynote speaker, Professor Nick Moore is unable to participate. The Section regrets this late change, but is unable to make alternative arrangements at this stage.

Correction

In Christine's Frey's 'Frontline' (*InCite* vol 9 no 10), it was stated that after the holding of the Task Inquiry into State Library Services, funding arrangements for the State Library Services would revert to the previous arrangement of a 0.25 percent levy from local government with the remainder of funds coming from the Tasmanian State Government. What was meant to be conveyed was that the local government would revert to 25 cents in the dollar of annual assessed value of land.

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