

Rare books and special collections

Rare book specialists and devotees will have a feast of fascinating meetings in Adelaide towards the end of September, Victor Crittenden reports.

The ALIA SIG have their conference on 29 September, looking at the role and philosophy of the rare books librarian, marketing special collections, and their role in *Towards Federation 2001*.

This will be followed by the 1993 Conference of the Bibliographical Society of Australia and New Zealand, with the theme *Order out of Chaos*. A call for papers has just gone out for both of



these conferences (abstracts are due by 30 April 1993).

Contact Valmai Hankel at State Library of SA for the SIG meeting and Liz Lee or Ray Choate at the Barr Smith Library for the BSANZ Conference. ■

New information retrieval manual from QUT

QUT Library has recently published an *Information Retrieval Skills Manual: a Library Users Guide*, which covers the techniques and strategies essential for efficient information searches. The content of this guide include: library research strategy; the Reference Collection; what are periodicals; finding

periodical articles; CD-ROM; identifying references; copyright; and special collections.

Margaret Smith believes that this manual should be an invaluable guide for users of any library and information service. It is available at campus bookshops of QUT for \$4.00. ■

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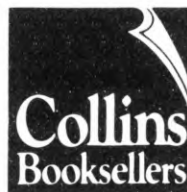
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