

Australian Library Week

SA Branch

The South Australian Branch is organising 'Sunday lunch on the lawns' for Sunday, 23 October from 2.00pm - 4.00pm. The lunch will be held at Tea Tree Gully Public Library.

Guest celebrities have been invited to read from a favourite book or poem or to recount an amusing anecdote from their quest for information.

The day is targeted at families to link in with the Year of the Family and sporting, media, political and education celebrities have been invited.

The annual CROW awards — the Children's choice awards — also will be presented.

There will be stalls, a band, face painting, a cartoonist and calligrapher, giant books and hopefully a high profile for our libraries. For more information contact Vanessa Little on (08) 348 2311.

NSW Far North Coast

The following libraries in the Far North Coast of NSW Region will be mounting displays: Richmond Tweed Regional Library, Southern Cross University Library, Wollongbar College of TAFE and the Department of Agriculture Library. The latter also will be offering Internet demonstrations.

Lismore College of TAFE Library is planning a BEAR (Be Effective and Relate) theme and will be showing a large number of videos on interpersonal relationships. Each of the 4 000 students and 400 staff members also has been asked to 'dress a bear', which will be displayed in the reading area. For more information contact Sue Cullen on (066) 20 3713.

Qld Special Libraries

The Special Libraries Section in Queensland will be running a number of events.

On Monday, 17 October there will be a display in the Queen Street Mall. The Section will also be working with Library Locums, who will cover the theme *Libraries and the workplace*. On Wednesday, 19 October there will be a breakfast at which the Special Librarian of the Year Award will be presented, with special guest speaker Sergio Maresca.

There will also be judging and presentation of the Special Library

of the Year, with a prize of \$1 000 sponsored by Trimagic Software, suppliers of Inmagic software. For more information contact Julie Woodwatt on (07) 397 5402.

Tasmanian Branch

The Tasmanian Branch is organising the following activities for this year's Library Week:

- Display of an *Australian Library Week* street banner in central Hobart throughout the week.
- Official launch of Library Week in Tasmania by popular radio personality Annie Warburton. The launch will take place in the State Library of Hobart on Monday, 17 October, and a cross-section of prominent community, cultural and business figures, politicians and the media will be invited.
- A public display of ALW promotional posters and other materials in the State Library foyer in Hobart.
- The Branch is seeking testimonials from high-profile library users on why they use libraries as their 'Destination for information'. There are plans to incorporate these into a Library Week poster or other promotional material.
- Plans for a 'Writers in the library' activity using local writers.
- Distribution of library promotional materials in local shopping malls during the week.

For more information contact Peter Conlon on (002) 337 468.

North Queensland Division

The Division will be actively involved co-ordinating Australian Library Week activities in the region, with one objective to act as a channel for liaison with regional media organisations.

Plans include an interview on ABC regional radio to publicise the aims of the week and local activities. Media releases also will be issued to encourage comprehensive news coverage of selected events. The Division will be treating these initial forays into media liaison as learning experiences and the promotions kit is awaited with great anticipation.

Local activities have been organised by all sectors. Public libraries in Townsville are adapting *Destination information* to focus on travel and a range of competitions and displays and self-education programs will incorporate this theme. Local tertiary libraries have planned displays and events concentrating on aspects of information technology. For more information contact Richard Sayers on (077) 814 162. ■



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