

Winning library



The 1998 AGL Parkes Forbes excellence in Business awards were recently announced at a ceremony in Parkes. The Parkes Shire Library was the inaugural winner of the 'Excellence in community services' category for Parkes and Forbes.

The award demonstrates that a public library can position itself in its community and compete on an equal footing with local businesses. It was an excellent mechanism for

Parkes Mayor, Robert Wilson; John Scott (Parkes Shire librarian); 'Sir Henry Parkes'; state librarian, Dagmar Schmidmaier; and Karen Vitullo, consultant, Public Libraries Branch, State Library of New South Wales

promoting the importance of the public library in the Parkes Shire.

The library is a stand-alone service with a full-time staff of three. The library has a reputation for the innovative use of technology.

Celebrating twenty years

ACT Library Technicians reunion dinner

ACT Library Technicians are celebrating twenty years of library studies in the ACT with a reunion dinner on Saturday 27 March 1999.

All students and teachers, past and present, who have attended or taught at

Canberra TAFE and the Canberra Institute of Technology are invited to join us. Many will have moved interstate, but we would still love you to come and celebrate with us.

Pass the word — the organisers would like to make

contact with as many people as possible.

Register your interest by contacting Beth Clary, phone 02 6234 2225, or e-mail beth.clary@radford.com.au; or Marion Boyd phone 02 6270 6912, e-mail mboyd@hcourt.gov.au



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• **7/12 NSW Special Libraries section. AGM and Christmas party.** Law Society Lounge and Dining Room, Level 2, 170 Philip Street, Sydney. Time: 5:30–7:30pm, (5:45pm — AGM), \$12 members, \$20 non-members. RSVP to Moya Lum, ph 02 9257 5481, fx 02 9257 7756, moya_lum@amp.com.au

• **9/12 NSW Library Technicians Section AGM.** Guest speakers: Carolyn Cherrett, EBSCO Client Services Manager, on library technicians and their role in the electronic library; Beth McLaren, Sydney Institute of Technology, about the role of ALIA. Royal Botanic Gardens Sydney, Library, Herbarium Building, National Herbarium of NSW, Mrs Macquarie's Chair. 5:30–6pm (AGM); 6–7pm (guest speakers); 7:30pm (dinner). Further details Michael Soo, ph 02 9514 3679, Michael.Soo@uts.edu.au. Please RSVP by 4/12 (for seating arrangements).

• **10/12 ALIA Riverina Regional Group. AGM and Xmas dinner.** AGM — Culcairn Library, Culcairn, 6:30pm. Followed by dinner at the Culcairn Hotel, Culcairn at 7.30pm. Trish Kelly, ph 02 6058 2830, fx 02 6058 2831, patricia.kelly@tafensw.edu.au; Tim Eggleston, ph 02 6041 6633, fx 02 6041 2747, eggletim@hotmail.com; Greg Fry, ph 02 6051 9877, fx 02 6051 9841, gry@csu.edu.au RSVP to either Trish, Greg or Tim by 3/12.

• **13/12 Hunter Valley Regional Group meeting. Christmas lunch.** Rafferty Resort by the Lake, Cams Wharf. 12:30pm, \$35 per head. Further details: TBA. Contact: Susan Ryan, 02 4925 4512, fx 02 4929 6568.

• **15/12 ALIA NSW Branch. Awards presentation and end of year celebration.** Members and friends welcome. Skeleton Gallery, Australian Museum. Cost \$45.00 (discount for groups or 10) contact Jo-anne Fuller or Heather Black, ph 02 9906 6000, fx 02 9906 5987, jojo1@ozemail.com.au

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• **1/12 Central Australian Regional group. Christmas function.** Venue: TBA. Contact: Carmel Leonard, ph 08 8951 5685, carmel.leonard@dme.nt.gov.au

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