

# ALIA award winner



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• **1/9 SA Special Libraries section.** *Feedback session on Strait to the Future:* 8th Asia-Pacific Specials, Health and Law Librarians conference, 4pm. Details: tba

• **7/9 SA Branch Council meeting.** Ira Raymond Room, Barr Smith Library, 5pm. Special topic: TAFE sector (6–7pm). Contact: Janine Tan, ph 08 8303 5225, fx 08 8303 4369, jtan@clucas.library.adelaide.edu.au

• **8/9 SA Library Technician section [SALT].** *Breakfast and more networking.* Contact: Kathy Sharrad for bookings, ph 08 8207 8652, fax 08 8207 8434, kathysha@tafe.sa.edu.au *Bookings close 23/8.*

• **20/9 SA Library Technician section [SALT].** *10th ALIA National Library Technicians Conference post-conference meeting.* Fleet Street Cafe, Hindmarsh Square, Adelaide, 6pm for tea or 6.30pm for the meeting.

• **29/9 SA UCRLS section.** *Weak in many aspects of librarianship!* Talk by Ray Price, Intellectual Property Manager, SOLA International Incorporated. Is intellectual property manager, just another word for librarian? Ira Raymond Room, Barr Smith Library, 5:15 for 5:30pm. Contact: Janine Tan, ph 08 8303 5225, fx 08 8303 4369, jtan@clucas.library.adelaide.edu.au

• **16–17/10 SA Branch State Conference at Clare.** Details: tba. Branch Council meeting to be held at conference.

• **Week beginning 18/10 SA Cataloguers section.** *Visit by Tom Delsey* (keynote speaker for 13th National Cataloguing conference, Brisbane). Topic: Viewing the information universe through the Anglo-American cataloguing rules. Contact: Jay Douglas, ph 08 8302 6773, jay.douglas@unisa.edu.au

• **18/10–13/12 SA Library Technician section [SALT]** *Committee meeting dates:* 18/10, 13/12. Venue: All these meetings are held at the Fleet Street Cafe, 162 Pulteney Street, Adelaide, 6 for 6:30pm meeting. Contact: SALT secretary, Jackie Williams, ph 08 8226 2890, fx 08 8226 2199.

**20/10 Clare Burton Memorial Lecture:** *The beauty therapist, the mechanic, the geoscientist and the librarian: addressing undervaluation of women's work.* University of South Australia, 5pm. Contact National Office ATN WEXDEV, PO Box 123, Broadway 2007, ph 02 9514 2909, fx 02 9514 2930, jane.clifford@uts.edu.au, URL <http://www.uts.edu.au/oth/wexdev>

• **2/11 SA Branch.** *AGM.* Details: tba.

• **10/11 SA UCRLS section.** *AGM.* Details: tba. Contact: Carol Dungey, ph 08 8302 3413, fx 08 8302 3382, carol.dungey@unisa.edu.au

• **15/11 SA Library Technician section [SALT].** *AGM.* Venue: tba. Contact: SALT secretary, Jackie Williams, ph 08 8226 2890, fx 08 8226 2199.

• **24/11 SA Information Science section.** *AGM.* Details: tba. Contact: Sarah Hayman, ph 08 8333 8443, fx 08 8331 9211, sarah@ncver.edu.au

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Donna Thompson was recently awarded the ALIA prize for Teacher Librarianship, awarded to the student with the highest academic results in the Graduate Diploma of Science (Teacher Librarianship) at the Edith Cowan University. She is pictured here (on right) with the president of the ALIA Western Australian branch, Brigitte Glockner (left).

## Challenging the stereotypes

### Initiatives from the Marketing TAFE Libraries South-East Queensland Group

We are a group of TAFE library staff from institutes in South-East Queensland who share a commitment and enthusiasm for marketing. We formed at the end of 1998 and since then have been active in exchanging ideas and sharing resources and in developing innovative projects.

Our mission? We feel that TAFE institutes, and TAFE libraries in particular have often been undersold. We feel it is time to spread the bold and positive message that TAFE libraries offer some of the best resources, most dedicated professional staff, and most exciting opportunities in tertiary education today.

#### Librarian for the new millennium

The first major project of the Marketing TAFE Libraries South-East Queensland Group has been to produce a calendar featuring library staff as you have never seen them before.

Taking the theme 'Librarians for the new millennium', we have shown that library staff have a sense of humour, are sporty and daring, sexy and caring, and they work on the cutting edge of technology.

How about a librarian who dreams of being a rock star and fulfils that dream? Then there is the cowgirl library technician taming a bucking bronco of a book and the cave-man librarian carving out what may be the

first catalogue record. There is a library technician rollerblading through her work, and a librarian who takes taming the net to its literal extremes.

The key word in this production has been quality. We have used professional photographers and professional props. Talented, professional designers have embraced the project and put in many hours to see it to completion. A major library supplier in Australia, ISA Australia, has recognised our professionalism and commitment to quality and have sole sponsorship rights for this year's calendar.

From the launch at the ALIA TAFE Section National Conference in Hobart we will be taking mail orders for the calendar and will be represented at all the major Australian library conferences during 1999.

This calendar challenges what people think of when they hear the word 'librarian'. It has attracted some controversy and is destined to attract a great deal more. We believe this shows we have an active and thinking profession — one not afraid to challenge its own stereotypes.

For mail orders and more information contact Robyn Austin, fax: 07 3259 4349, e-mail: [robyn.austin@dtir.qld.gov.au](mailto:robyn.austin@dtir.qld.gov.au). Calendars are \$7.00 each (including post and handling anywhere in Australia). ■