

Who's where

Recent library appointments in Australia and overseas

Tom Girke has left Monash University's Medical School Library at the Alfred Hospital to become librarian-in-charge at the Ludwick Cancer Research Institute in Royal Parade, Parkville.

Sue McKnight is now senior associate assisting the deputy vice-chancellor, Deakin University. This is an interim appointment while the university fills a new position of deputy vice-president (academic). **Helen Livingston** will be acting university librarian.

Erik Finger has been reappointed as chairman of the State Library of Queensland Board. He is joined by author and academic, **Jackie Huggins**; writer and critic **Sue Gough**; and government representative **Keven Radbourne**; all of whom served on the previous board. Five new members have been appointed: **Diane Vance**, director of community and cultural services at Thuringowa; **Anne Bunnell**, Townsville City councillor; **Terence Callaghan**, the community representative from Southport; **Eric Bigby**, the deputy director-general of the Department of Premier and Cabinet; and **Susan Richer**, youth arts and cultural development advocate. All appointments are for a three-year period.

Minister of Canadian Heritage, Sheila Copps announced recently the appointments of **Roch Carrier** as national librarian of Canada and **Ian Wilson** to the position of national archivist of Canada.

Roch Carrier will replace the current national librarian, Marianne Scott, who has

held the position since 1984. Internationally renowned author and Officer of the Order of Canada, Mr Carrier has been active in various cultural organisations such as the Theatre du Nouveau Monde and the Canada Council for the Arts, where he served as president from 1979 to 1981 and as director from 1994 to 1997.

While the Canadian Library Association (CLA) disagrees with the decision to appoint a non-librarian to the position of national librarian, it recognises that Mr Carrier is an experienced administrator of several cultural organisations. The Association will seek to work actively with him and the staff of the National Library towards the development of the National Library's goals for the new millennium. The CLA Executive Council is now reviewing the recommendations contained within the report entitled *The role of the National Archives of Canada and the National Library of Canada* (John English) and will prepare a response which hopes to communicate its opposition to the government's decision to appoint a non-librarian to the position, and to express serious concern over the lack of consultation in the appointment process.

Ian Wilson has been the archivist of Ontario since 1986. He has served as adjunct associate professor, Faculties of Information Studies and Graduate Studies at the University of Toronto and is currently a member of the Ontario Government's Information and Information Technology Management Committee.



• **26/11 SA Cataloguers section.** AGM. Details: tba.

• **1/12 SA Special Libraries section.** AGM. Details: tba.

• **7/12 SA Acquisition and SA RAISS sections.** Combined AGM. Bob Hawke Prime Ministerial Library, Room 418, City West Library, 5.30 for 6pm. Contact: Jenni Jeremy, secretary SA Acquisitions, 08 8302 0318.

• **8/12 SA Health section** AGM. Details to be advised.

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• **2/8-6/12 Home Library Services SIG meeting.** Eltham Library, Panther Place (off Main Road), Eltham, 10am. Meetings dates: 2/8, 4/10, 6/12. Contact: Marie McMahon, ph 03 9401 0725.

• **9/8-13/12 Vic Special Libraries section committee meeting.** Venue: tba. Time: 5:30pm. Meeting dates: 9/8; 13/9; 11/10; 8/11; 13/12. Contact: June Hooper, ph 03 9329 8511, fx 03 9321 1574, June.Hooper@heartfoundation.com.au

• **4/9 Vic School Libraries section.** Professional development activity: Copyright and electronic publishing. Venues and cost: tba. Contact: Maelor Himbury, ph 03 9336 2555, fx 03 9367 9361, maelor@melbpc.org.au

• **4/9-27/11 Vic School Libraries section meeting.** Meeting dates: 4/9 (Star of the Sea College, Gardenvale), 16/10, 27/11 — AGM (9am). Statewide School Resource Centre, 217 Church Street, Richmond, 9:30am. Contact: Maelor Himbury, ph 03 9336 2555, fx 03 9367 9361, maelor@melbpc.org.au

• **16/9 Ballarat Regional Group.** Workshop: Libraries — Careering into the 21st Century. Speaker: Margie Anderson, Library Locums. Uni of Ballarat, School of Mines Library, Lydiard Street, Ballarat. Cost: Free ALIA members, \$5 non-ALIA members, 5:30-7:30pm. RSVP: 10/9 to Liz Hartmann, ph 03 5327 9591

• **21/10 Clare Burton Memorial Lecture:** *The beauty therapist, the mechanic, the geoscientist and the librarian: addressing undervaluation of women's work.* RMIT University, 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>

• **Nov Ballarat Regional Group.** AGM. Details: tba.

• **3/12 Victorian Branch Christmas party.** Celebrate the events of 1999 with colleagues and friends. Details and flyer to follow. Contact: Trevor Wakely, t.wakely@bom.gov.au

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• **4/8 WA Local Studies section.** Advance notice of visit to National Archives. Hands on workshop, commencing 5pm for 5:30pm. Further details tba. Contact: Julie Zuvela, ph 08 9386 6230, fx 08 9389 8742, jzuvela@nedlands.wa.gov.au.

International association honours Australian librarians

Jenny Ryan and Steph Capra have been awarded the International Association of School Librarianship (IASL)/SIRS Commendation Award for 1999. The award recognises 'outstanding and innovative projects, plans or programs which could serve as models for replication' by other associations or individuals. Ms Ryan and Ms Capra developed ILPO (information literacy planning overview) as a planning document for teachers in primary and secondary schools. Through practical application of the program, teachers have felt empowered to incorporate information literacy skills, including information technology skills, into their units of work.

Suzette Boyd, director of library services at Methodist Ladies College in Kew has been awarded the Progressive School Library Media Award for the implementation of innovative ideas to enhance the lifelong learning skills of students. The cash award will be used to purchase technology that will enhance students' access to information.

The International Association of School Librarianship comprises personal and association members from over eighty countries committed to enabling young people to develop literary and cultural appreciation and to use information effectively through the improvement of school libraries and school library programs as a vital component of education.

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