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ZPORTAL compatibility with RMIT Publishing

RMIT Publishing and Fretwell-Downing Informatics have announced that Informit Online databases can now be searched concurrently with library catalogues and other information resources via Fretwell-Downing Informatics' ZPORTAL product. RMIT Publishing currently provides access to more than eighty Australasian databases, including three full-text databases covering legal, health and social sciences subject areas.

Fretwell-Downing Informatics and RMIT Publishing have spent the last few months working together to make this connection possible. The development allows libraries that use ZPORTAL to present results in a single hit list and directly access full content, where available, from the hit list. ZPORTAL libraries can target the Informit databases to specific groups of users and so expect to get greater value from their Informit Online subscriptions.

Who's earning what in library and information management?

The One Umbrella's Library and Infor-

mation Work and Salary Survey 2002 tells you, drawing parallels between the levels of qualification held by private sector information management professionals, the work performed by them and the remuneration they receive.

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BBC Radio Collection

The BBC Radio Collection will be available in library packaging and exclusively from Southern Scene in September/October.

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One in eleven

One in eleven: practical strategies for teaching adolescents with a language learning disability was written by Florence Gough, Susan Robinson and Mandy Brent. The authors are speech/language pathologists with extensive experience working with language learning disabled (LLD) adolescents in secondary schools. One in eleven is an excellent teacher reference, providing information on the characteristics of LLD students, effective strategies for teaching LLD students, and how to modify the curriculum to enable LLD students to experience success.

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Westlaw Australia World News Library Released

Westlaw, a leading provider of online-based legal research services and a brand of Thomson Legal & Regulatory Limited (a subsidiary of The Thomson Corporation), recently announced the release of the Westlaw World News Library, a collection of more than 700 Australian and international news sources.

Australian materials within the World News Library are full-text providing complete and comprehensive access to relevant materials across all practice areas and industries.

Westlaw provides unlimited-use subscriptions to meet the needs of to-day's professional. From a single user to an entire organisation, choose the World News Library package that helps you meet your information needs. Westlaw can be accessed at http://westlaw.com.au.

Endeavor Information Systems/ LexixNexis

Endeavor Information Systems and LexisNexis have announced an agreement that will make select LexisNexis databases available through ENCompass, Endeavor's digital management, organisation and linking tool. Through an XML Gateway, ENCompass will be able to search specified content from three popular LexisNexis research databases: LexisNexis Academic Universe, LexisNexis Congressional Universe, and LexisNexis Statistical Universe.

The first agreement of its kind with LexisNexis, the Endeavor plan will provide a single point of access for simultaneous searching that will include these three popular library databases. ENCompass employs multi-protocol federated searching across resources, using traditional protocols like Z39.50 and new technology advances in XML gateways and HTTP searching.

Swets Blackwell introduces SwetsWise

A new and exciting evolution in Swets Blackwell's suite of electronic products and services is soon to be launched: SwetsWise. More than a new release of Swetsnet Navigator, SwetsWise is a webbased, modular service for the access and management of online information. This innovative service combines advanced internet technology with Swets Blackwell's 101 years of experience. Based on your feedback (thank you!) and the experience and knowledge of colleagues here and overseas, we have been working intensively with IBM over the last year to bring you a totally new e-access gateway that is unique, robust, cutting-edge and most significantly,

able to be customised to your specific requirements.

Enabling management and online access to all your electronic publications via SwetsWise, providing a single point of access to the most extensive collection of e-journals currently available 24/7. It also provides a host of other value-added services, such as handling claims with publishers and providing swift access set-up for new e-journals.

The extensive 'administrator' functionalities in SwetsWise put you firmly in control over user activity: from ordering articles via document delivery or pay-per-view to providing access to customised catalogues. At the same time, SwetsWise gives you the options to empower users to undertake such tasks on their own.

SwetsWise is an 'open' system that integrates with your existing e-access services, maximising dissemination of information to your users. By taking advantage of our multi-level linking technology, the ability to upload stable URL links to your library's ILMS or OPAC leads users directly to the full text. Alternatively, you can mirror your library's collection in the SwetsWise interface, creating a single interface for all your journals.

Do your computer skills measure up? Information professionals now have the chance to measure and improve their computer skills as part of an online training program, the ICT Skills Benchmark, created by Monash Learningfast, a company of Monash University and one of Australia's leading online educational providers.

The ICT Skills Benchmark is a learning and assessment tool that includes pre-testing to assess individual training requirements based on skills gaps, self-paced interactive training, online manuals, post-testing and student administration.

The program involves eight core IT competencies covering core information technology concepts; such as the functions of a personal computer, the internet and networks, searching the internet effectively, word processing, spreadsheets, presentations and drawings and databases/filing systems.

The Brisbane City Council Library Service was the first public library network to offer Monash Learningfast's resources available on a large scale. Brisbane libraries offer a range of Monash Learningfast programs, including the ICT Skills Benchmark and TeachMe, a self-paced, interactive learning tool for popular computer software, as well as

the online reference tool Electric Library Australia.

Monash Learningfast provides free online access to evaluate the program on request. Contact Christine Walker, business solutions manager, Monash Learningfast, a company of Monash University, phone 03 9618 8301, e-mail cwalker@learningfast.com.

New Zealand contacts in libraries and information services

The 3rd edition of the successful library directory *New Zealand contacts in libraries and information services* (ISSN 1174–9954) has just been released by publishers Contacts Unlimited Ltd in association with the Library and Information Association of New Zealand Aotearoa (LIANZA).

Designed by librarians as a useful industry-wide reference, the 370 page 2002 edition provides contact information for every public library in New Zealand plus university libraries, business, research and government libraries, health and medical libraries, law libraries, school and theological libraries.

Other sections list archives, museums, information services, acquisition services, publishers and library service suppliers.

Copies are available direct from the publisher for NZ\$79.95 inclusive of airmail delivery to Australia (excludes your GST) and may be ordered by e-mail, fax, post or direct off our secure web site at http://www.contacts.co.nz.

The full power of Inmagic DB/ TextWorks from Trimagic Software

Until now Inmagic DB/TextWorks has been limited to library solutions. The pressure of the 'knowledge age' has forced IT professionals to look beyond traditional database platforms to meet the demands of textual information. Trimagic Software has harnessed the power of the Inmagic textual platform to provide a broad range of applications that will save your organisation time and money, and release it's information

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CAVAL seminars

Martin White, managing director of Intranet Focus Ltd and global leader in the area of intranet development and management will be presenting two seminars in Australia in August 2002 on behalf of Caval Collaborative Solutions — Intranet development and management and Communities of practice.

Martin's first seminar, *Intranet development and management*, examines some of the critical issues related to the development of intranets. These include the strategic implications for an organisation and cultural considerations for its employees. This seminar covers intranet content, technology, governance, and critical success factors.

The second seminar, Communities of practice, introduces participants to the concept of communities of practice and uses case studies to look at the various ways in which they develop and evolve. It examines how communities of practice facilitate the creation and utilisation of knowledge and how they should be managed and supported by an organisation. The seminar evaluates the use of software to support communities of practice.

The seminars are designed to be independent but complementary and will be held in Melbourne (University of Melbourne) and Sydney (State Library of New South Wales). Contact Sue Henczel (sueh@caval.edu.au) or see this month's event listing for details.

Inmagic Gatherer and Classifier Released

Triad Data Magic Pty Ltd and Inmagic, Inc, a global provider of content and information management software and services, recently announced the release of Inmagic *Gatherer*, a spider that crawls specified in-house servers and websites, and Inmagic *Classifier*, an out-of-the-box solution that provides classification technology based on semantic and syntactic knowledge. Through automated searching and classification, Inmagic's *Gatherer* and *Classifier* provide 'just-in-time knowledge management' for organisations, supplying improved management, dissemination, and utilisation of information assets.

Inmagic Gatherer extracts content from the most popular file types and formats (such as HTML, text, Microsoft Office, and PDF), allowing the content to be loaded directly into the appropriate Inmagic DB/TextWorks knowledgebase, IntelliMagic, Inmagic's market intelligence system, or passed on to Inmagic Classifier.

Inmagic Classifier incorporates a pre-built taxonomy of close to one million categories, providing automated categorisation, and ensuring that new and dynamic information is kept current and relevant. Inmagic Classifier is completely scalable, from files on a single PC to systems with sixty million pages.

Inmagic Gatherer provides organisations with the ability to easily manage the acquisition of large amounts of electronically stored data, normalise it, and prepare it for further processing, and Inmagic Classifier automatically and accurately classifies pages on the internet and within corporate intranets and extranets. By providing a roadmap of the content, Inmagic allows its customers to better manage, disseminate and utilise their assets, thereby improving user satisfaction and increasing revenues.

Inmagic's Gatherer and Classifier will be available in spring, 2002. Information is available directly from Triad on 03 9696 4866, e-mail triad@tdm.co, or visit the website at http://www.tdm.com.au.

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