
Editorial

It is a pleasure to offer you the April Newsletter. Our theme on isolated libraries has taken a slightly different tack from that which was at first envisaged. The term 'isolation' has developed from the idea of one-person libraries to denominational isolation and again to geographical isolation. The articles come from as far afield as New Norcia, Hobart and Upper Hutt! As a late starter, we have been able to include (albeit on the last page) an article from the Rabbi Falk Library of the Great Synagogue in Sydney.

Thanks to all who submitted articles on the theme. The views expressed are those of the writers and not necessarily of the editorial committee.

Part 2 of Robyn Holmes' presentation at the 2002 Conference is included, as is a paper on privacy laws and how they affect libraries, presented by Helen Culshaw (Flinders University), at the November 2002 meeting of the South Australian Chapter.

This contribution has prompted us to ask whether there may be other substantial papers given at chapter meetings which could be included in the Newsletter for the benefit of all our readers. If your chapter is planning a workshop on a particular topic, please consider that the subject may be of interest to others. Any contributions will be welcome.

Rhonda Barry has offered a valuable list of recently published reference resources and Jocelyn Morris reports on a Consultation she attended in February in Bangkok, Thailand.

For those who have been waiting with bated breath (!) the publication of last year's statistics, I am sorry that you will have to wait until the next issue, which will also include the major papers from the Perth Conference and a scintillating article by Philip Harvey on coping with new formats!

My thanks again to Wendy Davis (proof reader extraordinaire!), Lavinia Gent (for clip-art) and the outstanding contribution of Jocelyn Morris, assistant editor. Thanks are also due to Graham Canty for technical expertise.

Special Note: We hope to do a special feature on the "pre-history" of ANZTLA. If you have anything in your libraries which you would like to offer, please send it to me.

Val Canty

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Jocelyn Morris has just advised that she will not be available as assistant editor after this issue. She will be missed by me for her enthusiasm and marvellous support. Best wishes for the future to Jocelyn and her family in their move interstate.

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