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New South Wales

People's Movements

Brana Regulic is acting as Librarian-in-Charge of the NSW Attorney General's Library for a period of three months. **Jolanta Lesynczski** is acting as Technical Services Librarian at the Law Courts Library to replace Brana. **Elizabeth Harrison** has been appointed Information Manager at the NSW Crown Solicitor's Office and will be responsible for information management, precedent development, reporting and library functions. Elizabeth was previously with Corrs Chambers Westgarth. **Julie Playle** has commenced as Reference Librarian in the Australian Government Solicitor's Office. Julie was previously Access Librarian (Law) at the University of Western Sydney

Functions

GST and Interlibrary loans

A lively and well-attended after-work function was held in June to discuss the impact of the GST on interlibrary loans. The evening

concluded with wine and cheese, which partly explained the numbers attending. Many ideas were canvassed but no definite conclusions reached. Continuing and extending reciprocal arrangements seemed the most straightforward option. It was also suggested that group rulings be sought from the ATO for particular categories of libraries. Librarians from the State Library of NSW, the University of Sydney Law School, and the Law Courts Library explained what their policies would be from 1 July.

Law Librarians' Symposium

A very successful Law Librarians' Symposium was held 19-21 July in Sydney attended by over 200 delegates including several from New Zealand, one from Vanuatu and one from the United Kingdom. In a very packed programme over two days a lot of interesting, useful and entertaining sessions were presented. The conference kicked off with drinks at Clayton Utz, a splendid venue showcasing Sydney's great harbour. The socialising continued at the dinner held in the Members' dining room at Parliament House the following night. With the after-dinner entertainment being song and dance routines from every table several showbiz careers may have taken off!

Contributed by **Imelda Payne**

Queensland

People's movements

Cady Driver has left the Information Commissioner (Qld) to start work on her Articles at Craig Terrill & Associates. Good luck, Cady. **Tracy Cracknell** has left Thynne & McCartney and is now working at the Australian Institute of Management.

The Criminal Justice Commission has relocated from Toowong to Terrica Place, 140 Creek Street, Brisbane, QLD 4000.

Functions

At our General Meeting on 14 June we had Field Officers from the ATO speak to us about GST and libraries, focusing on interlibrary loans and acquisitions. A Moys Workshop was held 23 June conducted by **Joanna Fear**. I think everyone went away with a better understanding of Moys and more confident in their ability to use the Tables to build numbers. Professional Development workshops that were scheduled to be held in July were cancelled due to lack of interest. At our General Meeting 4 August some of the Queensland members who attended the Law Librarians' Symposium in Sydney gave a quick summary of some of the papers

Contributed by **Helen Gambley**

Tasmania

People's movements

A quiet time in Tassie – perhaps we are hibernating! However there is some news. **Cheryl Kershaw** has returned to the Justice Library where she shares a position as a Library Officer, having completed a BA majoring in Information Systems in November, and given birth to her second child, Millie May in January. A stunning achievement. **Dorothy Shea** has been back at the Supreme Court Library for 50% of her time since 24 July. The remaining 50% is spent at the Commission of Inquiry into the death of Joseph Gilewicz where she is Registry Project Manager.

The proposal for the creation of a combined library service for the Law Society, the Department of Justice and the Supreme Court is slowly progressing and we should be able to report in more detail for the next edition.

Contributed by **Dorothy Shea**

Victoria

People's Movements

Jane Nicholas who previously managed the library at Phillips Fox in Adelaide, has taken up the role of Library Services Manager at Arnold Bloch Liebler. **Janice Ryan** has moved from Arnold Bloch Liebler to Maddock Lonie & Chisholm as Library Manager, filling

a maternity leave position. **Emilie Johnson** is moving from the Family Court to Maddock Lonie & Chisholm taking over as Assistant Librarian, also filling a maternity leave position. **Naish Paterson** from Corrs Chambers Westgarth has taken on the role at Arnold Bloch Liebler as Assistant Librarian working four days a week. **Petal Kinder** from Monash University was appointed Federal Court Librarian and commenced in July. **Jane Phillips**, who was filling in at Melbourne University while Sonia was on maternity leave, has taken a job to create a law library at the Department of Human Services. **Katharine Ward** left Corrs Chambers Westgarth in June to take up a position as Business Researcher & Trainer at Ernst & Young. Katharine will remain as our ALLG (Vic) treasurer and can be contacted on (03) 9288 8407 or email at:

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Now to explain all that maternity leave! (Ed) -

Sonia Pilkington has had a baby boy called Andrew William. **Jannett Belfield** and **Nancy Ellul** both of Maddock Lonie & Chisholm are currently on maternity leave and due to give birth within a few weeks of each other. **Jodie Sheedy** now at Tress Cox & Maddox is due to give birth in October.

Functions

The Victorian Division is continuing with a busy year of activities and events. After the Parliamentary Library social function it was

time again to get on with business. These are the mid-year highlights:

Our lunchtime meeting programme continues to be heavily patronized. The June meeting was 'You found it how? You found it where?' a panel session exploring the many and varied methods of discovering information on the Internet. We left with the knowledge that thinking laterally is the key to finding information together with keeping up to date with the fast growing and changing environment of the Internet. Also, not be afraid to try new sites and search engines in our quest for the answers.

Knowledge Management was the focus in July. The group was fortunate to have **John Hokkanen** present to the group. He is a US legal technologist who consults in the area of KM and writes about law office Web sites, intranets, extranets and the use of Internet technologies to develop legal practice systems.

A fascinating insight into the depths of KM

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<http://www.llrx.com/features/ground.htm>

The topic for August was Australian treaties. There was also the ubiquitous mid-year social function and the highly successful *Finding the Law* training sessions.

Contributed by **Ian Edwards**

Western Australia

People's Movements

Clare Steele has joined Minter Ellison as the new Research and Training Librarian. Clare started out at the WA Bar Association Library last year and also worked for Freehills in Perth and Melbourne before joining Minters. Clare can be contacted on (08) 9429 7536 and email clare.steele@minters.com.au.

Janet Megarrity (ex Water Corporation) has joined the WA Parliamentary Library as Librarian, Electronic Information.

Dee Malkmus has left the Parliamentary Library to take up the position of Library Manager at the Department of Premier and Cabinet.

After ten and a half years **Glen Cameron** has resigned from Kott Gunning. She is working part-time at Jackson McDonald and Healy Pynt and is the Administrator of the local ALIA office. Glen is available for part-time/contract work and can be contacted by phone (08) 9227 8532 mobile 0402 304334 email: glen_cameron@hotmail.com.

Andrew Lavender joined the WA Bar Association Library as a Librarian early in July. Andrew completed his BAppSc (Information and Library Studies) at Curtin University in 1992. He then worked for a number of mining companies before moving to London where he worked for both the London Chamber of Commerce and Industry and the Chartered Institute of Bankers Business Research and Information Service. He returned

to Perth in 1998 and has most recently been Library Manager at Western Metals in their exploration library. He is eager to learn about law librarianship and to apply any applicable knowledge he has gained from his past employment.

Contributed by **Monica Smith**