

STATE NEWS

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Australian Capital Territory

People

Joanna Longley started on 22 January 2001 as Librarian in Charge at the Australian Capital Territory Law Courts. **Susanne Mansfield** on 12 January left her position as User Services Librarian in the Australian National University Law Library so that she can accompany her husband to Brisbane for three years. **Ann Welburn**, Technical Services Librarian in the Australian National University Law Library, resigned on 24 November 2000. Ann intends to use her diverse skills to work in short term positions in Library and Web development areas. **Julie Arnold**, who has been working part time in circulation in the Australian National University Law Library, has been appointed to the additional part-time position of after-hours Readers Adviser. On 29 January 2001 **Xanthe Peterson** joined the staff of the High Court of Australia Library as a Library Assistant.

Functions

Our traditional outdoor Christmas lunch was a great success with 42 people, over 80% of the ACT membership, attending. It was held on Thursday 7 December 2000 in the garden off the Drawing Room at University House at the Australian National University. This year we had umbrellas on the tables to provide lots of shade.

Contributed by **Helen Roberts**

New South Wales

Functions

The well attended and very successful Christmas function took a nautical theme this year and we all boarded the *Batavia* in the Australian Maritime Museum. A great venue for a party but not for a long sea voyage!

The end of the year crept up on us so fast that no further meetings were held. We did have several committee meetings at one of which we were able to tour the Minter Ellison offices in the just opened Renzo Piano building.

Planning has commenced for meetings and other functions to be held during the year but the programme is yet to be finalised. A mentoring programme will be actively taken

up this year. Incorporation for the NSW group is still on the agenda.

The 3rd ALLG Law Librarians' Symposium has been finalised with the publication of the papers on the website in November 2000.

Contributed by **Imelda Payne**

Queensland

People

Lisa Kruesi has left Fisher Adams Kelly and **Lynda Colqohoun** has taken on her position. **Reatha Charles** has left Corrs Chambers Westgarth and **Barbara Flowers** has left Barwick Lawyers and is continuing to work at Deacons Law, QUT and Justice Department. **Candice Burgess**, who has been our ALLG (Q) Committee secretary has resigned from her position and is looking to join the Queensland Police Service. We wish her all the best and thank her for all the work she has done for ALLG (Q).

Functions

At our last general meeting for the year we had **Kathy Rod** from Allen Allen & Hemsley talk to us about knowledge management and what is happening at Allens.

Our Christmas party was held at the Queensland Science Centre, with everyone enjoying the wine, food and exhibits. Some of the people who attended took great delight in

trying to see how fast they could pitch a baseball, how good their hearing was and 'putting their head on a platter'.

2001 is shaping up to be a very busy year with a combined ALIA and ALLG Copyright Seminar on 8 February and an 'Introduction to Metadata' seminar on the 22 February 2001 run by CAVAL.

Contributed by **Helen Gambley**

South Australia

People

Dick Finlay, Adelaide University Law Librarian, will be retiring in June 2001. A farewell dinner for Dick is currently being planned for May 2001 so make a note in your diaries as further details will be announced soon. **Josephine Timcke** has left Piper Alderman for the greener pastures of Melbourne and is working for Hall & Wilcox, she can be contacted on josephine.timcke@hallandwilcox.com.au. **Sue McArthur** has recently resigned as librarian from the Family Court and is now working at SAGRIC three days a week. **Jenny D'Arcy** is working two mornings a week at the Family Court. **Kate Francis** left the Supreme Court Library on 16 February 2001 to study for a Bachelor of IT at Flinders University. Congratulations to both **Irene McKenna** of the Commonwealth DPP, who was recently

married and is now **Irene Hawe**, and to **Ursula Feltell** who also married and is now **Ursula Amato**. Congratulations to **Amanda Kaczmarek** of the ATO who gave birth to her first child, Matthew James in July 2000. Welcome back to Heather Carine who is now working at Ward and Partners.

Tasmania

People

Tasmanian members were saddened to hear of the death of **Judith McKenzie**, former CCH Representative for Tasmania. Judy was always a cheerful and helpful contact point for CCH queries and she will be much missed. Welcome to **Nyree Gordon Cooper** at the DPP Office in Hobart. Nyree is splitting her time between the State Library and the DPP. **Helen Richardson** is another member now working in two libraries. In addition to the Legal Aid Commission Library she is now also working at the Parliamentary Library. Also **Sharn Davies** from the Parliamentary Library is dividing her time between the Parliamentary Library and the State Library Reference Desk. Welcome back to **Lea Ann Baldwin** at the Commonwealth Law Courts Library. Lea Anne will be job sharing with **Helen Powell** and will be in the Library Monday to Wednesday.

Contributed by **Dorothy Shea**

Victoria

People

Josephine Timcke has joined Hall & Wilcox as librarian, replacing **Elizabeth Joyce** who is taking time out to travel. **John Botherway** previously with the County Court of Victoria is moving to the Federal Court of Australia as Assistant Manager, Library & Information Services. **Louise Segafredo** is moving from Victoria Legal Aid to commence a new position with Consumer & Business Affairs as intranet content manager.

Functions

The group wound its 2000 activities down with a gathering in Queens Hall, Parliament House in December for the annual Christmas party, which was well attended as always.

We farewelled the following committee members with thanks and appreciation for their hard work and dedication: **Althea Ward, Greig Williams, Lianne Forster Knight, Louise Segfredo**, and **Melissa Dunley**. We also welcomed **Amanda Surrey** and **Rosemary Hay** to the committee.

The Committee members for 2001 are:

Convenor:	Carolyn Malkin
Treasurer:	Sue Woodman
Membership Secretary:	Peter Cotter
Minutes Secretary:	Mark Powell
Information Sheet Editor	
and Web site Administrator:	Ian Edwards

Committee Members: Anna Hewitt
Sally Newton
Katherine Ward
Angela Alexakos
Amanda Surrey
Rosemary Hay

The Victorian group has a busy year planned for 2001 with incorporation high on the agenda, the continuation of the Division's lunchtime seminar sessions and social functions. Victorian members will be busy during the first half of the year leading up to the 9th Special, Health & Law Libraries Conference, '*Rivers of Knowledge*'.

Contributed by **Ian Edwards**

The AGM was followed by drinks and dinner at the CBD Restaurant in the Rydges Hotel.

Some of the events planned for 2001 include:

- Tour of WA Parliament and drinks
- Copyright seminar in February with **Nick Smith** (Copyright Adviser of the Australian Libraries Copyright Committee)
- Intranet workshop
- Supreme Court tour
- Aspects of Law/Law for Non-Lawyers lecture series through University of WA's Extension Programme
- Workshop on the WA Parliamentary committee system.

Contributed by **Clare Steele**

Western Australia

Functions

The ALLG (WA) Annual General Meeting was held in December at Mallesons. It was an opportunity to thank **Lisa Kadir** for her work as convenor in 2000 and also give a big thank you to **Marie Luffman** who departed the ALLG (WA) Committee after many years of hard work and commitment to the WA law library community, both as a committee member and as State Convenor.

Many thanks also to **Heather Davids, Debra Harvey, Niamh Corbett, Sue Poynton** and **Jenni Cornish** for their combined and individual efforts over the past few years.