



Welcome to the second issue of Biblia in our new location on the ALIA Web. There are lots of interesting things happening in Western Australia in the coming months, so mark this new location ready to be informed as to what is going to happen, or what you might have missed, because being involved in the information, library, record and archives fields means that there is always just one more interesting thing to look at or be involved with.

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This month, WA Forum is starting its social whirl with the annual Icebreaker. Alan Bundy is visiting WA, and will be our special guest on 6th March in the Great Southern Room at LISWA in Perth. He will be presenting this year's F.A. Shar medal and getting to meet Librarians and Information professionals here in Perth.

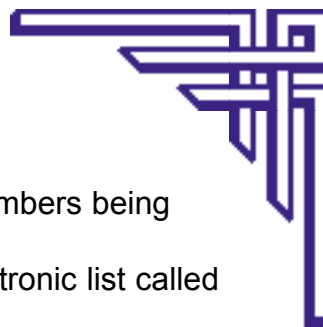
Please download the Icebreaker pdf file to get the latest information about this event.

NetNotes this month was contributed by Camille Peters, and is about Australian Government websites. There is also a special report by Viv Barton of Inglewood Library about the winning of the Bess Thomas Award for 2002. Congratulations to Inglewood!

If you would like to contribute to the newsletter/website please contact the Biblia editorial team either through the WA Forum local office or the Biblia Web Spinner.

Regards,

The Biblia Team

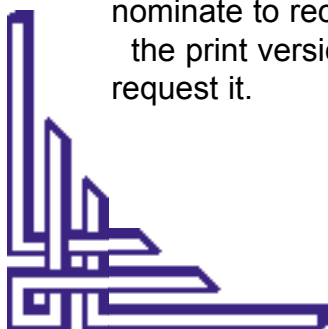


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NetNotes

Australian Government information – provided by [Camille Peters](#)

Finding Australian government websites is relatively easy as there are several directories or portals. Commonwealth government departments may be located using:

<http://www.gold.gov.au/> [Commonwealth Government On-line Directory]

<http://www.fed.gov.au/KSP/> [Australian Government Entry Point]

<http://www.gov.au/>

<http://australia.gov.au>

The latter two websites also cover State and Territory governments.

<http://www.pmc.gov.au/docs/ao.cfm>

Sometimes it is not clear which government department is responsible for a particular matter. A solution to this problem is to use the current **Administrative Arrangements Order** - the Commonwealth one is available on the **Dept of the Prime Minister and Cabinet** website:

<http://www.pmc.gov.au/docs/ao.cfm> This lists the legislation and matters dealt with by specific government departments.

So, for example, you can find out that the Department of Communications, Information Technology and the Arts is responsible for the National Library Act.

<http://www.asic.gov.au/asic/asic.nsfv>

The **Australian Securities and Investment Commission** have one of the more interesting government websites. As well as useful general information on financial matters, it has information on how to get your money back from the government. This is the place to start looking to track down monies from old bank accounts, shares from companies and life insurance policies. Some of the amounts are surprisingly large, especially when you consider that bank accounts are only transferred to the government after they have been dormant for seven years and bank fees would certainly dent the balance in most accounts. The lists of unclaimed bank accounts for 1995 to 2000, published annually as “*Do we have any of your money?*” are available to download or search. Lost superannuation funds are not the responsibility of ASIC but their web site gives you the contact details for the Australian Taxation Office. State treasuries also take care of unclaimed monies from stale cheques, unclaimed wages, refunds, and other sources. The WA Treasury’s *Register of Unclaimed Monies* from 1997 onward is available at

<http://www.treasury.wa.gov.au/>

<http://www.auslig.gov.au/index.htm>

The National Mapping Division, formerly known as AUSLIG, has a number of useful features.

It is possible to search for a place name from the over 274,000 names in the Gazetteer of Australia 2001 or find out the distance ‘as the cocky flies’ between two places. Librarians who deal with the public will appreciate the moon phase data which lets you check the date of the next full moon. There is also a handy index map to the various series of Australian topographic maps (1:250 000, 1:100 000, 1:50 000) at

<http://www.auslig.gov.au/mapping/index/index.htm>

<http://www.itsanhonour.gov.au/>

You can search the Australian Honours List from 1901 to the present and find out who won a particular Imperial or Australian award. All awards except long service and campaign medals are covered. There is information on the role of the awards, the order of wearing, and pictures of some of the medals. Another website which covers awards is the Australian War Memorial. The biographical databases are available at:

<http://www.awm.gov.au/database/biographical.asp>. They include the Roll of Honour (Australia’s war dead), nominal rolls for the Boer War and the First World War, and Honours and Awards (awards made to those who served in the Australian armed forces between the Boer War and the Vietnam War). The Honours and Awards database gives the date of the citation in the *Commonwealth of Australia Gazette* and, if applicable, the *London Gazette*.

www.aph.gov.au

Just about any question about Federal parliament can be answered by the Australian Parliament website:

The full text of Hansard from 1981 onwards, the current and historical Ministry lists, biographical information on current and past members of parliament, current bills list, election dates, and the current index to parliamentary papers, to name just a few of the features, are available.

Thanks to Camille Peters who put together this month’s NetNotes.

If you have suggestions for NetNotes or collections of URLs of interest to the Library and Information community, please contact the [Biblia Webspinner](#)

ALIA WA Forum and KISWA

Invite you to break the ice for 2002, meet the ALIA National President, Alan Bundy and participate in the Sharr Medal Presentation for 2002 at the

ICEBREAKER

Wednesday 6 March 2002

5.30pm for 6pm till 7.30pm

At

Great Southern Room, LISWA L4

Come and meet Alan Bundy who is traveling to WA for the occasion and would like to meet as many Library and Information professionals as possible. Alan will speak on issues of concern to the profession and answer questions.

It is also a special occasion as WA Forum will present the

FA Sharr Medal

At this function and have invited Alan to do so on Ali Sharr's behalf.

Bring your friends and enjoy a social evening and meet the ALIA National President and your Western Australian Board of Directors Nominee, Deanne Barrett.

Students are welcome and are encouraged to attend to meet fellow professionals and to find out about ALIA in Western Australia.

WA Forum will be dining with Alan Bundy at the Brass Monkey and invites all who would care to join them to indicate your wish to do so on the attached RSVP form.

Cost for the Icebreaker function:

Members	\$12.00
Students	\$7.50
Non Members	\$15.00

Pay at the door on the day all comers \$17.00

Payment can be made by Cheque or Credit Card on the form below
RSVP to Linda Simonis at the Local Presence Office, PO Box 74 , Mt Lawley, WA or by email to :
wabranch@alianet.alia.org.au
by COB 5 March 2002 for catering purposes

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Yes I will be joining the WA Forum Committee and Alan Bundy for Dinner at the Bass Monkey.

Tick Here _____

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Fax: 9201 2621

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Special Report

INGLEWOOD LIBRARY WINS BESS THOMAS AWARD 2002



City of Stirling's Inglewood Library has been awarded the Bess Thomas Award 2002 from the Australian Library and Information Association, and will receive a \$250 grant towards a project initiating or supplementing public library services for young people.

The aims of the award are to:

Encourage and support the development of innovative and significant public library services to young people;

Promote public and professional awareness of the importance of services to young people in public libraries; and

Honour the bequest made by Bess Thomas and continue her contribution to Australian children's libraries.

To increase use of the Library by teenagers, Inglewood Assistant Librarian, Francine Nababan worked with Year 7 students at Inglewood Primary School to update the image of the Young Adult area in the Library. The class was familiar with the Library due to regular class visits, and had a good rapport with Francine. The Teacher Librarian, Jan Douglas was also the art teacher, which made school liaison easy. Local artist Geraldine Pillinger, was employed to coordinate the project. Mrs Louise Cartledge, a dedicated Inglewood Library volunteer and parent of one of the school children was also of great assistance in motivating the chil-

dren and promoting the project. The Young Adult area upgrade was welcomed as an excellent art project that the class could also work on at school.

During class consultation a street theme was chosen and the students worked on a variety of projects including designing images and silk screening cushion covers; producing a wall hanging with an urban street design; decorating floor mats; and making a pottery sign welcoming young adults to the revamped area.

Not wanting to stop there, the students enthusiastically went on to improve the sea theme in the junior area by decorating it with tropical treasure island motifs; recovering the old sofa; adding paper mosaic to an old sea chest and transforming it to a reading table; and repainting the junior area windows with new sea creatures.

The Library had also budgeted additional funds to purchase trendy new furniture for the area, and installed canvas sails above the outdoor courtyard adjacent to the children's activities room.

The children are very proud of their work and a re-opening of the young adult area was held in November 2001 to celebrate the work completed. Use of the Library by the children has increased with many new memberships, as has demand for art classes at the school. The Year 7 group will be entering high school next year and will continue to feel ownership of their space in the Library.

The programme was so popular that it will be run again in 2002, with the incoming Year 7's ready to make their mark on their library and revitalise the under-utilised courtyard.

The award will be presented at the ALIA conference in Sydney, May 2002. The prize money will be used to employ a local artist to coordinate the 2002 project, which will include painting and planting terracotta pots, and producing mosaic tiles for the courtyard.

Viv Barton
Manager Library Services
City of Stirling

WA Forum Diary

March

WA FORUM — 6th March ICEBREAKER

WHEN - 5:30 for 6 pm

WHERE – Great Southern Room, LISWA Lv 4

Guest Speaker – Alan Bundy, who will also be presenting the FA Shar Medal for 2002

RSVP to Linda Simonis at the Local Presence Office, PO Box 74 , Mt Lawley, WA or by email to : wabranch@alianet.alia.org.au by COB 5 March 2002 for catering purposes (see flyer – Icebreaker.pdf – for application form)

WALTS — General Meeting (19th March)

WALTS — Group Mentoring Information Evening

Local Studies — 21st March

Our first event for 2002 will be a visit to the Library at the Department of Indigenous Affairs. The library contains the most comprehensive collection of materials dealing with Aboriginal History and current issues in this State consisting of books, reports, manuscripts, journals, videos, CDs, annual reports and various DIA publications. Please come along and enjoy what will be an informative visit:

WHEN: 5.00 pm on 21st March 2002

WHERE: Governor Stirling Tower,
197 St Georges Tce Perth,
(cnr Mill St. and St. Georges Tce)

Please meet in the foyer of the building

RSVP to Julie Zuvela at
jzuvela@ozemail.com.au

Health Libraries — March 26th - Fremantle Hospital & Health Service

WHEN: 5.30 pm for 6 pm

WHERE: The next meeting will be at Fremantle Hospital & Health Service Library (AKA The Hole in the Wall - due to construction underway on the building we are likely to have an impressive hole in our wall by 26th March) on Tuesday 26th March.

Cost: Usually \$5 per head to cover expenses on refreshments and drinks.

Topics covered:

Tips & Tricks

Bring you favourite PubMed, Ovid, internet searching tips & tricks to share.

Reports

Jeanette Longwood will report on the 2001 IFLA conference.

How We Done It

FHHS librarians will discuss the development of the emailed LIBTOCs service. Want to share details of your latest innovation???

Please reply if you intend to come. I can send you a site map and a parking slip to put on your car's dashboard that will allow you to park in the multi-storey staff car park. You can also park in the visitors' car park that is accessed from Alma Street.

RSVP Cheryl.Hamill@health.wa.gov.au
ph: 9431 2780 fax: 9431 2522

April

WALTS — Job Application & Interview Skills Workshop

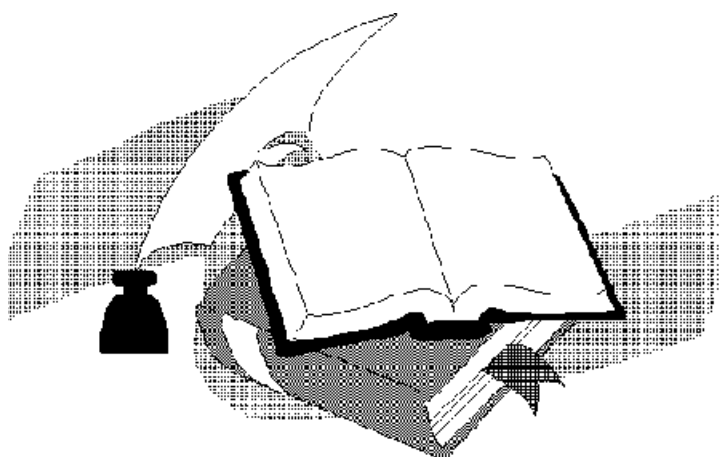
May

WALTS — General Meeting 15th May

WALTS — Library and Information week Dinner

WALTS — National Library Technicians Day Breakfast

Health Libraries — May - QEII site - to be organised jointly by Cecily Gilbert, SCGH & Diane Nielsen, PathCentre
c5.30 pm for 6 pm



June

WALTS — AGM and Dinner

July

WALTS — Metadata – What it is and how it works.

Health Libraries — July - Psychiatric Services

WHEN - 5.30 pm for 6 pm

August

WALTS — General Meeting 20th August

September

WALTS — South West Seminar – Weekend Seminar – Bunbury

Health Libraries — September - HIRS @ KEMH

WHEN - 5.30 pm for 6 pm

October

WALTS — General Meeting 16th October

November

WALTS — End of year function

Health Libraries — November - Royal Perth Hospital

WHEN - 5.30 pm for 6 pm