

Benefits of Joining ALIA Retirees

1. Full membership benefits at a reduced rate, \$71 pa, including Incite, essential for keeping up-to-date with our profession.
2. Full membership voting rights.
3. Concession rates for attendance at ALIA conferences and events.
4. Sharing opportunities for part-time or contract employment, volunteering, mentorship.
5. Participation in the development and exchange of information and ideas, with fellow members of our profession.
6. Making new friends.



How to Stay Connected

RETIREES is an ALIA group for those at the latter stages of their career. Librarians, library technicians and library workers are all welcome to join. Our group has a web page:

<http://www.alia.org.au/groups/retirees/>

Also an e-list and a blog have been established for members to use and participate.

AliaRETIREES is the ALIANet e-list affiliated with this group. Subscribe to aliaRETIREES by heading to:

<http://lists.alia.org.au/mailman/listinfo/aliaRETIREES>

RETIREES hosts occasional social gatherings in various locations as a means of renewing acquaintances and keeping in contact. For those interested in reading and book discussions we also have a “Classic Readers” blog: <http://retireereaders.blogspot.com/>

We invite you to participate in our on-line book club by reading our monthly book choice and adding your comments.

Staying Connected With ALIA Retirees

Retired from work but don't want to lose touch? Joining ALIA Retirees is a great way to keep in touch and at the same time continue to contribute to the Australian Library and Information profession.

Most of us have valuable memories of colleagues and past workplaces.

Our theme “Staying Connected” reflects our group's focus, maintaining or renewing contact with friends and former colleagues.

Our group aims to facilitate the connection between retirees by :

1. Encouraging engagement in the profession.
2. Recognising the achievements of retirees.
3. Ensuring that the professional interests and aspirations of retirees are fostered.
4. Offering support to members retiring from the profession to remain involved with ALIA

Staying Connected How Retirees Work Together

The group is represented by a national committee which meets monthly, by teleconference, to exchange ideas about current issues and discuss future directions.

Recently our committee participated in the Federal Government's Inquiry into School Libraries and Teacher Librarians. Our NT Representative, Robin Hempel, appeared at the public hearing held in Darwin in July, to express concerns about the status of school libraries and levels of staffing both nationally and in the NT.

Another highlight was the success of a submission to ALIA from our Convenor, Faye Lawrence and Mylee Joseph, Committee member, both representing NSW. The Retirees Committee has received funding to research the biographies and contributions of Prominent People for whom ALIA has named Awards and to create Biographical Entries in Wikipedia to raise the profile of the people and the ALIA awards. More news about this will be posted on the [Retirees e-list](mailto:Retirees@bigpond.net.au) soon.

Staying Connected How to join the Committee

We would like to have representatives on the Retirees Committee from all the States and Territories. At the moment we are missing representation from Queensland, South Australia and the ACT. If you would like to join us, you are welcome to contact our Convenor, Faye Lawrence or any of the committee members.

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Brisbane 1-3 September

Take the opportunity to meet with our Convenor Faye Lawrence and Secretary Niki Kallenberger who are both attending the conference in Brisbane and eager to meet with as many retirees as possible.

A morning tea has been arranged for Friday 3 September with details available at the Registration Desk.

Staying Connected Hello from the Retirees Committee!

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