Together we build communities

A regional symposium for all library staff from School, Public and Higher Education libraries

A joint initiative of the Australian Library and Information Association and School Library Association of Victoria

Thursday May 1, 2014
8.30 am - 4.00 pm
Venue: Goldfields Library Corporation
Bendigo Branch Library
259 Hargreaves St
Bendigo, Victoria 3550
Introduction

A vibrant, well resourced library is the centre of the community. It is a central meeting place that doesn’t discriminate, enabling users to research, explore, discuss and learn. Irrespective of whether we are in a school, higher education or public library, we are all in the business of building communities.

As library professionals we want to strengthen and build our own ‘library’ community. The best way to do this is to share and work together. Building on collaborative partnerships to produce successful, thriving library services is an objective of this professional development symposium, ‘Together we build communities’, brought to you by ALIA and SLAV. The symposium will bring together staff from all library sectors to discuss current issues in Library and Information Science service provision and opportunities for collaboration and knowledge sharing.

Join us to explore issues across the library and information science sectors, find out about new resources, learn from and with each other. We’ll show you how to build networks and work together with other libraries to strengthen your collection, enhance your current services, maximise your ability to respond to your own communities’ needs and develop best practice services.

The stunning new Bendigo branch library will provide an inspiring venue for presenters and symposium attendees from all library sectors. Thanks to the generosity of the Bendigo Branch library staff the day starts with a private tour of the library followed by the official Symposium opening and welcome to Bendigo by Maree Edwards, Member for Bendigo West. The keynote presented by Sue Howard, Interim CEO, Goldfields Library Corporation and Vivien Newton, Manager, Bendigo Library will focus on library design and the redevelopment of Bendigo Branch Library. We then look at current models of collaboration across the sectors with presentations from La Trobe University, the SWIFT consortium and the eBooks City of Greater Shepparton Schools.

Program Overview

Registration 8.30am – 9.00am
Tour of the library 8.45am to 9.15am – Coordinated by Vivien Newton

9.15am Welcome to Country
9.20am Symposium Open and Welcome to Bendigo: Maree Edwards, Member for Bendigo West
9.30am - 10.10am Keynote: Library Design – Bendigo Branch redevelopment, Sue Howard, Interim CEO, Goldfields Library Corporation and Vivien Newton, Manager, Bendigo Library
10.10am - 10.30am Morning Tea
10.30am - 11.25am Collaboration and Resource sharing: current models of collaboration across the sectors
• The Swift Library Consortium – a model for a shared Library Management System, Lloyd Brady, Systems Administrator, Swift Library Consortium
• Your ‘School @ La Trobe’ Library resources designed for secondary school students, Wendy Ratcliffe
• School Partnerships – raising aspiration for Higher Education participation, Hayley Cail, Schools Partnership Program Coordinator (Regional), La Trobe University
• Creating an ebook library: the eCOGSS (eBooks City Of Greater Shepparton Schools) ebook lending facility experience, Rachel Fidock, Teacher Librarian, Moorooda Secondary College and Julie Jenkins, eCOGSS Administrator

11.25am - 11.40am Pop up Power Session – Roxy the Library dog, Roxy and Julie Willis, Head of Library Bendigo Senior Secondary College
11.45am - 12.30pm Public Record Office Victoria: an introduction to our resources, Jack Martin, Co-ordinator, Collection Management, Public Record Office Victoria
12.30pm - 1.15pm Lunch
1.15pm - 2.10pm Makerspaces – Tania Barry, Co-ordinator Technology, Resources and Special Projects, Hume Libraries
2.10pm - 2.25pm Pop up Power Session – Learning object repositories, Sian Dart, RMIT University Library
2.25pm - 3.25pm Literacy and Information Skills – Panel Discussion
• Using the scattergun to engage students and teacher, Sharon Marchingo, Global Learning Centre Leader, Crusoe 7-10 Secondary College
• Literacy and information skills from a Public Library perspective, Vivien Newton, Manager, Bendigo Library Goldfields Library Corporation
Discussion – Who is responsible for teaching? Schools, public or TAFE/University Libraries?

3.25pm - 3.55pm Closing Address
Digital Citizenship and cultural change programs, Maree Stanley, Manager Schools Programs (Better Buddies), The Alannah and Madeline Foundation (AMF)
3.55pm Session close – ALIA & SLAV

After Conference activity off site – Location to be confirmed
4.00pm - 5.30pm SLAV meeting
4.00pm - 5.30pm ALIA meeting
Conference open and welcome

Conference Open and Welcome to Bendigo:
Maree Edwards, Member for Bendigo West since November 2010

About Maree Edwards: The ALP has been in Maree’s blood for generations. She joined the party on the eve of the 1999 election, frustrated with Kennett’s neglect of regional Victoria.

About Sue Howard: The Interim CEO, Goldfields Library Corporation, Sue became involved in the Bendigo Library redevelopment in October 2013 as the project neared completion. She has been a guiding hand as the library was finished and re-opened to the Community.

About Vivien Newton: Vivien has worked for the Goldfields Library Corporation for 20 years. In that time she has been Children’s Services Manager, Information Services Manager and is currently Bendigo Library Manager.

Keynote address

About Sue Howard:
Sue Howard Interim CEO, Goldfields Library Corporation and Vivien Newton, Manager, Bendigo Library

The New Generation Bendigo Library has been renovated and redesigned to meet community needs now and into the future. The City of Greater Bendigo, recognising the value of culture and learning to the community, has invested in a flexible, contemporary and exciting place suitable for the increasingly complex functions of 21st century libraries. With an invitingly adventurous children’s space, activity and meeting rooms, noisy and quiet work spaces, innovative building materials and new technologies, the Bendigo Library is set to engage all ages in exciting ways. ‘Have you been to the new library?’ is the buzz around town since the opening on January 28th.

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Panel presentations

The Swift Library Consortium – a model for a shared Library Management System
Lloyd Brady, Systems Administrator, Swift Library Consortium

The Swift Library Consortium comprises 26 library services across Victoria and NSW, mainly public libraries but also including TAFE and school libraries, which share a single Library Management System on a managed services platform. Sharing an LMS requires a collaborative effort from all participants in the development of policies and protocols, and provides patrons with easy access to a wider range of materials for loan, as well as greatly reduced software, hardware and operational costs for member libraries. Swift has become the model for similar shared LMS systems across the country

About Lloyd Brady: A librarian with 30 years’ experience primarily in the public library sector, including at Moorabbin, Kingston and Maribyrnong Libraries, Lloyd has participated in many state-wide collaborative IT projects, such as the Gulliver Consortium and LibraryLink Victoria. Lloyd took on the role of Systems Administrator for Swift in 2008, where he oversees the operational environment, and coordinates the User Group and collaborative policies and protocols, ensuring the smooth running of the Consortium.

About Hayley Cail: Hayley currently works at LaTrobe University Bendigo Campus where she manages the School Partnership Program across the four regional campuses of La Trobe. She is a newly appointed director to the Loddon Murray Community Leadership Board and has a wealth of experience in Board participation with advisory roles at Federal and State Government level.

With more than 20 years’ experience in education, business and community engagement, Hayley’s key passion remains with Education and Regional Development. She was previously a member of the Regional Policy Advisory Committee, which was established to provide independent advice to the Minister for Regional and Rural Development and Minister for Regional Cities on priorities for regional Victoria. Such a priority was low educational attainment and participation rates in regional Victoria. This instigated the Research into Education Aspiration for Regional Victoria, released in August 2013.

Creating an ebook library: the eCOGSS (eBooks City Of Greater Shepparton Schools) ebook lending facility experience
Rachel Fidock, Teacher Librarian, Mooroopna Secondary College, and Julie Jenkins, eCOGSS Administrator

The presentation will highlight the collaborative partnerships that were the driving force behind the creation of eCOGSS; show conference attendees the eCOGSS library and its ease of navigation; convey the importance of promoting an elibrary, and; encourage others to collaborate with their school networks to create their own cooperative elibrary.

Your ‘School@LaTrobe’ Library resources designed for secondary school students, Wendy Ratcliffe Collection Delivery Team Leader Heyward Library La Trobe University

La Trobe University Library ran a cross-campus working group, including the University’s school Partnership Program to look at what and how we could support the VCE/HSC students in our community. The project was conceived from a meshing of a University goal and the library’s operational plan. The main outcome from the project was giving students both physical access and virtual access to the library and its resources.

About Wendy Ratcliffe: Wendy has been employed at the Heyward Library, La Trobe University, since 1990, starting when she was a student studying the Diploma of Teaching. The year she graduated jobs were very scarce so she decided to stay on as a HE03 in the library. Wendy completed the Graduate Diploma in Library and Information studies by correspondence while working fulltime. She has had various roles within the Library and most recently was seconded to the position of Collection Delivery Team leader. Last year Wendy was Faculty Librarian for OT, Speech, Physiotherapy and Urban & Rural planning.

About Hayley Cail: Hayley Cail Schools Partnership Program Coordinator (Regional) La Trobe University

The School Partnership Program at LaTrobe University aims to increase aspiration for participation at university. We work collaboratively with schools to develop activities that provide extra curriculum support, academic preparation and increased awareness of university course offerings and careers. An overview of our framework and programs, along with the findings from our 2013 evaluation will be covered during the presentation.

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Panel presentations

About Rachel Fidock and Julie Jenkins:
Rachel and Julie are from Mooroopna Secondary College and are teacher-librarian and library technician respectively. Julie has roles outside the school library and finds this helps to create a connection between the library and the greater school community. Rachel has worked as the coordinator of the blog Bright Ideas, and has had articles posted on the blog recently. They are both passionate about promoting reading in any form in the school community. They are both life-long learners and can recommend participating in PLN courses run by SLV, with Rachel participating in the most recent, PLN Plus.

Literacy and Information Skills

how she has kept the program fresh and vital which in turn should see improvement in the literacy and information literacy outcomes for students. She will talk about the challenges of staffing and budget cuts, time constraints and the many ways that she has adopted to create a responsive, engaging and flexible space that meets the needs of user groups.

About Sharon Marchingo: Sharon is the Global Learning Centre Leader at Crusoe College and the Year 10 English Leader. She has been an educator for over 30 years, with 12 of those years spent working as a teacher-librarian in conjunction with teaching English. She is passionate about creating an inclusive dynamic library environment and using whatever strategies that she can find to turn students on to reading.

Literacy and Information skills from a Public Library perspective
Vivien Newton Manager, Bendigo Library
Goldfields Library Corporation

The Goldfields Library Corporation sets out to provide accessible information, resources and stimulation for the recreational, cultural, educational and social development of our community. The focus of Public Libraries has ranged from encouraging early literacy in the form of storytimes and rhyme times for the under fives, to ‘information now’ – answering the immediate information requests of library users while providing an environment for lifelong learning for all ages. We have moved from Information repositories (The answer must be in a book) to Information brokers (We can find you the right information with the Internet) to Information enablers (We can provide the devices to help you access the information and, often, teach you how to use them) and Information creators (We have the space, equipment and connections for you to create information and share it).

In the 21st century libraries are many things to many people – how do we navigate the path?

About Vivien Newton: Public libraries became Vivien’s third career after primary teaching and bookselling. The connecting of books to children or adults has long been a passion that has developed into a love of historical research and the jigsaw puzzle that is family and local history. In 20 years working for the Goldfields Library Corporation Vivien has been Children’s Services Manager, Information Services Manager and is currently Bendigo Library Manager.

Pop-up Power Sessions

Roxy the Library dog
Julie Willis, Head of Library, Bendigo Senior Secondary College, and Roxy

For over six months now Bendigo Senior Secondary College has housed a Library Dog. Roxy has become a valued member of Team Library and has her own Facebook page. She contributes to the staff and students’ wellbeing and has not had a day off sick since she was first employed. Roxy arrives at 8.00 each morning and remains until 4.30 each afternoon. She is hypoallergenic and does not shed hair. Roxy is demure and extremely well trained and is a true asset to our working lives.

About Julie Willis and Roxy Needham: Julie has been the Library Leader at Bendigo Senior Secondary College for six years and English Teacher at BSSC for 25 years. Human – Female – 56 years old – Dark hair – Dark eyes - Likes her back scratched. Roxy has been a Library member for over six months. Labradoodle – Female – 8 1/2 years old – Dark Hair – Dark Eyes – Likes her tummy rubbed.

Learning Object Repositories: Quality objects, quality metadata
Sian Dart, RMIT Library

This presentation will discuss the basics of setting up a Learning Object Repository, and the main priorities in maintaining and developing collections. If possible, it will show some live example records from the RMIT Learning Repository – good and bad.

About Sian Dart: Sian is the RMIT Learning Repository Coordinator. Sian has recently been involved with the RMIT Innovative Librarians and the Library Quest project, and presented conference papers in 2010 and 2013. She keeps up with library innovation, open access and metadata initiatives via RSS and social media, alongside a healthy dose of cat photos, footy and gaming news. Sian can be contacted via twitter @siandart.
Public Record Office Victoria – an introduction to our resources  
Jack Martin, Co-ordinator, Collection Management, Public Record Office Victoria

PROV’s collection consists of 96 linear kms of public records, covering dozens of areas of interest to researchers – whether they’re in secondary school, tertiary students, professional researchers and academics, or members of the public enjoying the challenge of research.

This presentation provides an introduction to PROV’s online resources, including the catalogue, digitised original records and online indexes; an outline of the services available onsite at PROV’s regional centres in Bendigo, Ballarat, Geelong and Beechworth, and our main repository in North Melbourne; and content prepared especially for use by primary and secondary teachers.

About Jack Martin: Jack has worked at Public Record Office Victoria since 2002, as an archivist liaising with government agencies, a manager of the public reading room in North Melbourne, and for the last six years as the Co-ordinator of Collection Management. Prior to this he was a secondary school teacher of English and Maths for five years – but he assures us that archives are much more fun.

Makerspaces: why do they belong in libraries?  
Tania Barry, Co-ordinator, Technology, Resources and Special Projects, Hume Libraries

Makerspaces are the latest innovation to be embraced by libraries. What are they and how do they fit in with what a library community needs? Why are reinvented spaces, in particular makerspaces, such a valuable addition to library services. This presentation will cover these questions, as well as give an overview of makerspaces in general and provide examples of best practice in public, school and academic libraries.

About Tania Barry: Tania is Coordinator, Technology, Resources and Special Projects at Hume Libraries. She has spoken nationally and internationally on librarianship as a first qualification, early childhood literacy and community engagement. Tania is currently Chair of the ALIA Careers Advisory Committee and Convener of the ALIA Social Media Group. She was Co-Convenor of The Global Librarian, Sweden and convened the 4th ALIA New

Librarians Symposium.  
Digital Citizenship and cultural change programs  
Maree Stanley, Manager Schools Programs (Better Buddies), The Alannah and Madeline Foundation (AMF)

The presentation will highlight how The Alannah and Madeline Foundation has implemented school and public library cultural and behaviour change programs. The Foundation runs bullying and cyberbullying prevention programs in more than 2000 schools nationwide and more than one-third of all Australian public libraries. In 2004 and 2005 Maree completed her Masters of Education to bring a best-practice model into the redevelopment of Better Buddies, helping students entering their first year of primary school to feel safe, valued and connected to the school community. The school pairs new primary school students with an older buddy. This resulted in the evidence base for the newly developed Better Buddies Framework and the publication of her thesis Buddy Systems in Australian Primary Schools: An investigation of the staff and the students’ perceptions of buddy systems in school communities.

About Maree Stanley: Maree is founder of The Alannah and Madeline Foundation’s Better Buddies Framework, a prevention program to help schools create friendly and caring environments where bullying is reduced. A teacher for more than 20 years, Maree has worked closely with government education departments and communities to raise awareness of the seriousness of bullying and preventative measures. Maree managed a school library for five years and completed her Generalist Librarianship in 1989.

Strength through Community – collegiality, diversity, vision
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