



fola FOLA Conference Highlights

FOLA's 3rd biennial national conference was held in Canberra during October 20-22, 2000 and was considered the best held to date. Although attendance was down from the high mark at the Adelaide conference in 1988, those attending considered the program, depth of discussion and range of speakers, the outstanding feature of this two day event.

"Morning and afternoon tea times became focal points of conversation and exchange of ideas."

Commencing Friday evening with a reception held in the Friends Room at the National Library of Australia and generously sponsored by the Friends of the National Library.

The President of FOLA, Peter McInnes welcomed the guests, delegates to the biennial conference and the recipients of the FOLA Best of Friends Awards for 2000. The Director-General of the National Library of Australia, Jan Fullerton welcomed delegates to the National Library and opened our 3rd biennial conference, in the presence of some 80 friends.

Best of Friends Awards for 2000 were presented to Friends groups from Balmain and Tumbarumba in New South Wales and to Portland in Victoria (see pages 6 & 7).

Local author and Friend, Marion Halligan then addressed the gathering, giving highlights of why libraries are so important in our society and to writers.



L-R Daniel Ferguson (Executive Officer FOLA, accepting on behalf of the Friends of Portland Library), Peter McInnes (President FOLA), Helen Colman (President Friends of Balmain Library), Chris Awcock (Vice-President FOLA and Chair of Judges panel), Judy Cameron (Vice-President Friends of Tumbarumba Library)



Marion Halligan (author) and Bill Tully (President FACTLS)



L_R Dr Alan Brissenden (President FSLSA), Yvonne Cramer (President FNLA), Kee Kirwan (Executive Officer FNLA), Peter McInnes (President FOLA)

The welcome given to delegates and sponsorship of the evening by the Friends of the National Library, the President, Yvonne Cramer and Executive Officer, Lee Kirwan, and the wonderful surroundings of the Friends Room within the National Library of Australia combined to make a friendly occasion and a wonderful opening to our conference.

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Dr Alan Bundy – keynote speaker (University Librarian, University of South Australia)

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FROM THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER



2001 has been designated the Year of the Volunteer.

Organisations around the country will be recognising the contribution made by an extraordinary network of individuals who give of their time and talents in support of many causes and institutions.

FOLA believes this is a significant event and will be embarking on a number of new initiatives to mark the occasion.

The Australian Library and Information Association will be recognising the year by a 'Thank You Day' during **Australian Library Week** in May. Thanking the many volunteers in libraries, such as Friends of Library groups and key client groups - local councillors, members of parliament and community and business groups. This is a significant milestone in the Library Association's recognition of the contribution Friends make to the Australian library scene.

Our recently completed and very successful biennial conference recognised the contribution Friends make to libraries.

Even the *Newcastle Morning Herald* picked up on the conference. In a feature article on 7 December, John Brown made particular mention of Dr Alan Bundy's call to arms for all Friends, and their friends to foster and develop an awareness of the future needs of public libraries - We need our libraries.

FOLA and ALIA will be embarking on a campaign of action. Friends groups around the country should use the Year of the Volunteer to make a statement to their stakeholders.

Daniel Ferguson



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*Dr Alan Bundy,
University Librarian, University of South Australia
and President elect, Australian Library & Information Association*

*Extract from paper presented at the third biennial conference
of Friends of Libraries Australia, Canberra, 22 October 2000*

Abstract: *Australia has one of the most accessible and heavily used public library networks in the world. However, from a July 2000 survey, much needs to be done in the 21st century to highlight and address issues such as poorly located and unattractive buildings, lack of space, poor opening hours, limited book and other resources, technology constraints and the lack of specialist librarians. This will require a local and national public program by Alia and Fola, in particular, to develop an awareness among all governments of the contribution and potential of the libraries for which they are responsible.*

There are only two national bodies in Australia which are free of political constraints to push the public library agenda. One is the new Australian Library and Information Association, and in pursuance of its first object it will take a lead over the next few years. That first objective is

To promote the free flow of information and ideas in the interest of all Australian and a thriving culture, economy and democracy.

The other national body, only the second of its type worldwide, is of course Friends of Libraries Australia.

Fola, and individual Fol groups thus have a very important role to play at the local and national levels in promoting public libraries. Yet the potential to do so will not be realised without

assertiveness-better public libraries for all Australians will only be achieved by questioning and hard headed advocacy, using facts and pressure. For example the Alia sponsored Library and Information Week in May 2001 will include for the first time, on 16 May, a Thank you Day to facilitate libraries and their Friends inviting elected members and decision makers to see the scope and value of what they have provided for their communities.

It is also the opportunity to ask of each public library branch in Australia where it reate in terms of the national graph of location, space, attractiveness, hours, technology, resources etc. This is something which could be legitimately a role for Friends because if Friends do not ask these questions at the local level, no one else is likely to. Friends should also be asking wherein lies the community involvement in the development of each library. Local government is increasingly being required to identify its community consultation processes. Yet few local authorities in Australia have any form of library advisory committee, and where they have community representation it is likely to be of a token nature.

There is one other area where Fola and Alia could move forward together. Despite the Unesco Public library manifesto's reference to the responsibility of 'national and local governments to support and actively engage in the development of public libraries', no Australian

government has really engaged in the promotion and development of public libraries for all Australians.

It is therefore suggested that Alia and Fola join in proposing to the federal government a comprehensive consultative review of public libraries to

- ▲ identify their roles, strengths, limitations, cooperation, performance and potential
- ▲ identify examples of best practice
- ▲ propose strategies and priorities for the relevant funding authorities
- ▲ If the federal government does not respond to such a request, Alia and Fola should initiate their own review.

The message is simply, and irrefutably put:

- ▲ Information and knowledge issues will dominate in the 21st century
- ▲ The more citizens have access to information -and the skills to use it - that is relevant to the country's socio-economic and political developments, the more it will prosper
- ▲ Libraries and librarians are the lifeblood in managing access to information in its myriad forms
- ▲ The more libraries and librarians a country has, the better its information will be managed and made available

At the end of this century there is much to celebrate in Australia, not least the living force of its public libraries as the agency to which more Australians have recourse than any other. The task for the 21st century is to ensure that living force not only continues, but becomes an even greater force as a unique testbed for Australian civic values and citizenship. That task challenges Friends of Libraries Australia. It challenges the Australian Library and Information Association. We should tackle it together.

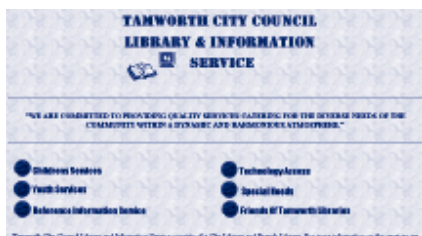
Full text of all papers presented at FOLA biennial conference will be published by FOLA.

The Hub (SA)

Over the past twelve months the Friends of the Hub Library have contributed some \$15,070 for the purchase of materials and equipment not covered by the Library's Council Budget. These items have included 3 computers; 1 small and 1 large laminator; 1 paper shredder; 1 OPAC table; 1 built-in cabinet; 2 loan cassette players, wheeled and carry wire baskets; and a series of pinboards for library notices. Additionally, other items included 8 Library Volunteer Badges - celebrating 10 years of service, and donations towards maintenance of computers and the new enclosure for the Library's pet - a Python snake! Since 1988 the Friends have been instrumental in the contributing of some \$120,000 to assist the extension of the library building and its equipment needs. Currently, the Friends gain funds from the conducting of computer courses - with the aid of skilled volunteer tutors, book sales; and a quiz night. Membership is 46 plus 3 lifetime members and some 43 honorary members comprising 34 volunteers and 9 volunteer computer tutors.

Tamworth (NSW)

In August we had our best book sale yet. Raising over \$1300. Considering most books were around 20-50 cents that's a lot of books, especially for a country town, other popular events were held: Death by Chocolate, where all manner of chocolate consumables are donated and people try them and take recipes home; PPP or paperback Plate and Plonk, where people with notable public profiles come and talk about one of their favourite books. Tamworth Friends are gathering steam to lobby for a new Library, a momentous task these days - good luck!



FOCUS on FRIENDS

Wingecarribee (NSW)

At the Christmas function, items purchased by the Friends were displayed - a new Display Board, a Listening Post and a Digital Camera. The Friends also donated another set of the Legal Tool Kit, this one for borrowing. Plans for 2001 - more "Tea and Talk" mornings, Bridge Drives and other varied functions including regular book sales.

Balmain (NSW)

The Friends held a Millennium Christmas Bash on 24 November in the Balmain Town Hall. The guest speaker was one of Australia's favourite personalities, John Doyle.

The Friends have adopted the small garden plot outside the library and hope to turn it into a delightful cottage garden. The Leichhardt Council has donated a load of wood chips and some azaleas. Two friends have installed a watering system and donated several plants.

Geraldton (WA)

A new whiteboard, noticeboard and paperback stand have been provided to the library recently. FOGL members also initiated Internet tuition for seniors now being continued through Mid West Seniors Online.

In her message to Friends, Patricia Gallaher, City Librarian, congratulated the members of FOGL for their support and achievements over the past 10 years.

Stirling (SA)

In a membership drive, the Friends have been challenged - For every 6 new members that enrol on your recommendation you will be rewarded with a free entry to two of our fundraiser functions. For every 3 new members, you will be rewarded with a box of chocolates.

Liverpool (NSW)

Christmas function was held in December with Talk & Tales and a Buffet & Drinks in the Library. At the AGM in October, Rosemarie Batten was elected president for 2000-2001. And in November the FOLL held a trip to Warragamba Dam and Vicary's Winery.



The Friends of the State Library of South Australia Inc.



Wollongong (NSW)

A very successful literary dinner was held in November with Anne Devesson as guest speaker. Her latest best selling novel, *Lines in the Sand* was the topic of the evening, along with her very interesting life. The Christmas party was held in December, concluding a very successful year of events and activities for the Friends, including the annual Michael Kent Golden Page Award for Year 9 students from local Illawarra high Schools. This year the trophy went to Kiama High School.



THE FRIENDS OF THE
WOLLONGONG CITY
LIBRARY

Barossa (SA)

Friends of the Barossa Library will hold another 'Poets and Platters', a feast of words and Barossa fare, during the 2001 Vintage Festival in April. It will be hosted by Langmeil Winery, who also sponsor their newsletter.

Salisbury (SA)

The annual Christmas Dinner was held in the Troppers Room, Eureka Hotel, again a very enjoyable evening. The sidewalk book sale held at the end of November raised \$800 and despite the temperature, lollies and balloons were given to children. On 25 January, Pat Robinson-Donnelly's book 'Migrants Journey' was launched at the Len Beadell Library.

Kew (Vic)

The November book sale raised \$670. The first sale in 2001 was on Sunday 21st January.

A very enjoyable Christmas Luncheon was held in December at the Beaumont Motel in Kew. The Friends of Kew Library Book Reviews No.74 December 2000, continues to give members an insight into some of the library's most interesting purchases. 14 books are reviewed by members in some detail.

FOCUS on FRIENDS

Willunga and Aldinga (SA)

Membership and activities a increasing as indicated with 31 attending a recent Friends meeting - amazing!

National Library (ACT)

Yvonne Cramer is standing down as President of the Friends due to extensive professional commitments in the coming year, her charm and eloquence will be missed. The new committee is preparing for another exciting and challenging year.

State Library of S.A.

Dr Alan Brissenden presented his retiring President's Letter in the December edition of the FLSA Newsletter. Alan commented on the doubling of membership since 1994, the success of Wednesdays at One and continuing the publication of many important facsimile editions, all important fundraising initiatives.

New State Library for S.A.

When completed in 2003, the new State Library will feature:

- Two floors for public use in the new building;
- Links between the three buildings;
- New reading rooms, galleries and exhibition spaces;
- An Internet café and shop;
- A viewable conservation studio;
- New facades and entrances facing North Terrace and Kintore Avenue.

More images from the FOLA 3rd Biennial National Conference



*Jennefer Nicholson - Keynote speaker
(Executive Director, ALLIA)*



Jan Fullerton (Director General NLA)



Friends at the FOLA stand



*Director General of NLA receiving
flowers from the President of FOLA*

BEST of FRIENDS AWARDS 2000

Winners

Portland (Vic)
 Balmain (NSW)
 Tumbarumba (NSW)

Friends of Portland Library (Vic)

Category: Best Fundraising Idea

We planned a Centenary of Federation project, in the form of an Historic Portland Calendar for the year 2001. In January we initially got quotes, the accepted one was for \$2775 for 1000 copies. We then raised sponsorship money and donations of \$2300. This was achieved by May. Then we solicited suitable photos. We wanted the calendar to go to print by July 1st to be ready for a launch date of September 6th, before the Olympics.

The shortfall of funds for the project was covered by the Friends of Heywood Library, through an interest free loan.

Initially the price of the calendar was set at \$12. We then realised that we would have to pay GST on printing and sales. We then registered for ABN and GST, but really were not prepared to alter the original price.

The community involvement was through the sponsorship of council and the businesses in the town, there was only one Melbourne sponsorship, and also the collecting of photos, all the work was done voluntarily by our members.

The launch of the calendar by the Mayor of Glenelg Shire Council on September 6th was an unqualified success, we more than recovered the money borrowed, which was immediately repaid. It did create a great deal of interest in the town.

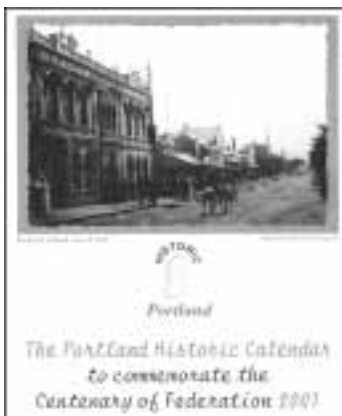


The Old Post Office, 1921

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January 2001

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28	29	30	31			



The calendars are being sold in Portland, Hamilton, Casterton, Heywood and on the mobile libraries, plus various commercial outlets in the district.

So far we are delighted with the results of the sales achieved and our objective of replacing the computer in the youth section of the Portland Library is almost realised.

We anticipate at least \$6000 - \$7000 as a result of this project and possibly more.

BEST of FRIENDS AWARDS 2000

Friends of Tumbarumba Library (NSW)

Category: Best Fundraising Idea

The idea of presenting a Theatre Restaurant Evening met both community and FOL needs. Tumbarumba is a small, isolated alpine town offering few opportunities for cultural and educational experiences such as live theatre. In the run-up to Christmas 1999 and a new millennium, a festive community event - a dinner enlivened by comedy, and at an affordable price, seemed an appropriate way of raising the profile of the library, while making a small profit, estimated at \$1000.

Planning involved finding a suitable local venue, selecting a professional theatrical company prepared to bring a suitable production to the town for a moderate fee.

Implementation involved advertising through posters, flyers, radio and the local newspaper, setting up a reservation and ticketing system, decorating the dining and stage area.

As there was no venue available that had a stage and lighting etc., members of the community worked with the theatrical company to improvise the physical setting.

In order to ensure enough tickets sales to cover costs, business houses and the public sector offices in the town were persuaded to book tables as an innovative approach to a staff Christmas party.

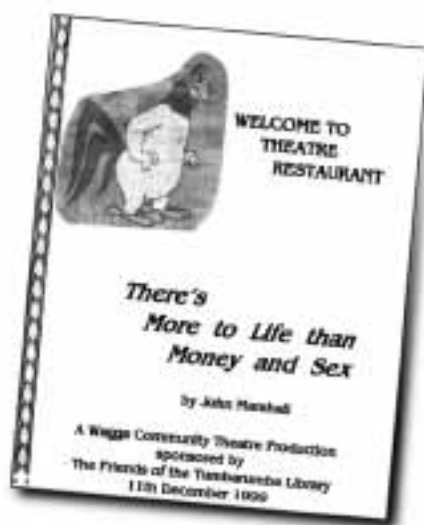
The local newspaper and regional radio and television advertised the event free of charge. Staff of a local bank accepted table reservations and ticket money free of charge and restaurant management provided a 3 course meal at \$15 a head which was included in the ticket price.

Results: a full house of 104 patrons reserved tables and paid well before the night.

Friends made a net profit of \$1000, which went towards their commitment to raise \$5000 for the library building and resources project. Community enjoyment led to demands for the Friends to sponsor more activities of this nature, so this year we are organising an indoor "BBQ Theatre Evening".

The success of the event raised the profile of the library, teaching the FOL group the value of moving library related activities out of the library building and into the community.

The community is much better informed of what our Friends groups stands for.



Friends of Balmain Library (NSW)

Category: Best Membership Idea



The Friends of Balmain Library was formed in 1998 in support of the Balmain branch of the Leichhardt Library system in inner city Sydney. Our membership now stands at 200.

The Best Membership Idea is based on the group's newsletter - *The Balmain Bookworm*.

Bookworm has been produced by the group since 1998, with four to five editions a year.

The newsletter is a professional production, produced by members. The cost of printing is being covered by the sponsorship of a local business. Members of the committee fold the newsletter, address the envelopes and hand deliver it to all financial members of FOBL. It's a popular read in the local community. Release of the *Bookworm* always coincides with an upcoming activity; thus providing an excellent opportunity to promote the event to members and non-members alike.

Bookworm contains information on the aims and activities of FOBL, membership forms, and articles of local interest, its an entertaining read and a wonderful vehicle for educating members and potential members.

FOLA Conference Highlights (continued from front page)

The Saturday session commenced at 8.30 am with delegates registering before hearing some 17 speakers from around Australia discussing issues concerning libraries and friends.

Morning and afternoon tea times became focal points of conversation and exchange of ideas.

With the growth of any organization, the range of speakers and issues for discussion has developed from that our 1st conference held in Melbourne in 1996. FOLA membership is not merely concerned with just 'friends' issues, but with broader national library policy development.

On day two, Sunday, keynote speakers from the Australian Library and Information Association addressed the delegates. ALIA President-elect, Dr Alan Bundy and Executive Director of ALIA, Jennefer Nicholson challenged FOLA to join with ALIA in tackling some of the

major policy issues which require the support of the users of libraries (Friends of Libraries).

At the conclusion of the conference, the delegates agreed to the following motion:

FOLA requests the Australian Library & Information Association to join it for a Working Party to meet on the issue of Public Libraries.

This motion followed discussion by delegates on a request to the Federal Government to undertake a review of public libraries and for action to be taken by FOLA and ALIA if such a review is not established. The last and only review of public libraries in Australia was undertaken by the Whitlam government (Report on Committee of Inquiry into Public Libraries, Canberra 1976) the report became commonly referred to as the Horton Report.

The general feeling amongst those attending was a conference of diverse interests, with a wide ranging program, perhaps some more time for general discussion and practical issues of 'how-to-do-it', however, given time constraints, a most enjoyable biennial conference held in a magnificent location. Conference feedback survey sheets indicated a clear direction for the future. The next conference should be held in Sydney in two years and be for at least two days. If possible, FOLA should consider regional events to discuss practical issues and concerns when and where practicable.

FOLA 4th biennial conference only 18 months - May 2002 in Sydney!

KEY STEPS TO ESTABLISHING A FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY GROUP

(see also insert in this edition, contains FOLA entry form)

- Discuss the issues with a number of friends
- Form a Working Group with 4-6 people
- Write on one A4 sheet of paper the key aims and objectives in point form - be clear and brief, also prepare a draft constitution (FOLA can provide examples)
 - Discuss the issues with the Library Manager, Branch Librarian or key stakeholder in the library
 - Contact similar Friends bodies in your area and discuss your concerns
 - Publicize a public meeting of interested persons, preferably at a time when you can gain the highest possible attendance
 - Your reasons for the meeting should be printed and publicized as widely as possible
 - At the 1st meeting, elect a Steering Committee, which may later constitute the basis of the new Friends group
 - Allow at least 2-4 weeks before the 2nd public meeting is called to formally constitute the new Friends body, at which a formal constitution is adopted and a formal committee elected
- Write to the library authority informing them of the resolutions of the meeting
- Join FOLA and be a part of our national and international network of Friends

Helen Hayes - yet again!

FOLA committee member, Helen Hayes has been re-elected as president of the Council of Australian University Librarians, for a second term. She was first elected in October 1998.

Helen is vice-principal (information) at the University of Melbourne, a position she had held since mid 1999, with responsibility for the University Library, Information Technology and Multimedia Education unit. She has been University Librarian since 1991.

In 1999, Helen was the national winner of the Telstra Business Woman of the Year in the corporate and government category.

CCT - the aftermath

Despite the abolition of 'compulsory', in compulsory competitive tendering of local government services in Victoria, the effects of CCT and restructuring throughout council services still remains unresolved for many council services, in particular, libraries.

In both the City of Port Phillip and Yarra/Melbourne Regional Library, unresolved issues remain, causing problems in both library services.

Library staff at the seven Yarra/Melbourne libraries have refused to answer phones, take bookings for facilities and equipment or handle cash transactions. The Australian Services Union backed action follows six months of enterprise bargaining with management.

And, in the City of Port Phillip, possible restructuring of branch services have drawn members of the community to form an action group to respond to Council plans to rationalise services.

Richard Mooney of the Friends in Port Phillip, said his group was concerned that less efficient branches might be closed under the Council's "best value" program.

Cr John Lewisohn, who represents the Emerald Hill ward, supported Mr Mooney's bid to involve residents. "We need people in the community to tell us just what it is that they need".

Even after five years since the introduction of CCT into Victorian local government, many issues remain, and many library services need vigilant friends.

New State Library for S.A.

Leading Australian architects, Hassell and Mitchel, Guirgola, Thorp, will unveil in early 2001 designs for the new State Library of South Australia. The first stage of the redevelopment on the North Terrace site will involve the strengthening of the 19th century Mortlock building. The second stage will create a new building which is due to be completed in 2003. Building project information can be found at: <http://www.slsa.sa.gov.au/redevt/redevt.html>.



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NEWS FROM INTERNATIONAL FRIENDS GROUPS



FOLUSA NEWS

- ◆ Friends groups and their libraries have been invited to be part of a long-term nation-wide public relations campaign to increase public awareness of the many resources and opportunities provided by libraries of all kinds.

The American Library Association has made a five-year commitment to speak loudly and clearly about the value of libraries and librarians to our communities, schools, academic institutions, and businesses, as well as to our society, democracy and the new digital age.

As part of this commitment, the ALA has developed a “brand” for libraries, which may be applied to any situation, with infinite variation. The new “brand”, which may be used freely by libraries and Friends groups, is

@ your library

A public campaign launch is planned for National Library Week, April 1-7, 2001, but Friends and libraries may begin using the idea at any time. For instance, a membership campaign might use the slogan “Make new Friends @ your library” or “The place to be is @ your library”.

- ◆ Friends of the Westport Public Library are the proud parents of Kids on Books, a quarterly newsletter distributed town-wide with the library’s newsletter. It’s a tabloid-size 8 page newspaper. Many of the reviews, written by children, are accompanied by student illustrations, poems, essays, letters to the editors, puzzles and much more.

The local newspaper partnered with the Friends to print the paper. The third edition has received additional sponsorship from the bookseller, Barnes & Noble.



UK NEWS

- ◆ The Library Association called a meeting of Friends Groups at the Library and Information Show 2000. About 40 people came. Trevor Knight took the chair and there was general support for the idea of a Federation of Friends of Library groups. As a consequence a Steering Group under the leadership of Geoffrey Smith has been established and will report to the Library Association in January 2001.

FOCAL NEWS

- ◆ In Canada, Friends are becoming more and more active in training, seminars, education, conferences and general ‘PR’ within the library association network - tremendous achievements in the past 2 years.
- ◆ Random House of Canada are sponsoring the Friend of the Year Award 2001 with \$500 in prizes.
- ◆ The Canadian Library Association is supporting the 5th Annual Friends Day on June 17, 2001.
- ◆ The Friends of the Hamilton Public Library announced their Millennium friendship Award nominees and winner - Dianne Young, a seven-year member of the “Libraries Let’s Celebrate” Committee and organiser of hundreds of author visits for children, a literacy initiative supported by her employer.
- ◆ Friends of the Meaford Public Library are encouraging people in their community to take advantage of the Memory Books program. This ensures they have more books in their Library, as a way to honour and remember friends and family. A Memory Book for the Library can be a moving way to remember and honour a loved one.

Alexandra Junior FOL (Victoria)

Continuing a great success story



Alexandra Junior Friends of the Library

By Libby Kotschet, **Junior Friends of the Library convenor**

This year the group has bought \$200 worth of videos for the library and they sponsored the local high school writing competition. We were successful in a grant application we made to council for \$2000 to run 3 programs for children over the next 12 months. The project was called *theatrix*, the first will be music-based, the second a storyteller for little kids, and the third a high profile author for the teens.

The JFOL will foot the bill for out-of-towners to come in on a bus, and, of course, organise each of the events. It is pleasing that we have maintained our high profile in the area and were awarded the grant (our first). We had to get an Australian Business Number (ABN) to deal with all this money. We still make library bags (\$5 each) and the footy ones sold very well. We sold 70(!) to the local intellectually disabled group who gave them out at their state conference in August. It cost me \$90 to get my sewing machine repaired!

“It is pleasing that we have maintained our high profile in the area and were awarded the grant”

Our executive is young but KEEN some turn up every week expecting a meeting. Linda Matthews’ brother Conor is the President and does a sterling job, and our secretary Kimberley Jungalwalla is currently designing a logo for advertising the *theatrix* programs.

On September 1st we had a Science Trivia night for families, the questions were multiple choice and rather hard, but the 60 people who came thought it was a buzz. The JFOL purchased all the prizes, did loads of advertising and helped out on the night with everything. We raised over \$250 and picked up some new fans. We are following the science trivia night with a science raffle.

We have spent a few frantic and ebullient moments at the last 2 meetings making a video about the library. It began as an introduction to the library services and has mutated into a celebration of youth in the library. If it ever comes to fruition, I will send FOLA a copy.

Our plans for next year will be distorted by the 3 major events but fund raising will be up there. We intend to have a BBQ at the first event and sell choc top ice creams that we will make in advance too.

The executive will be here in a minute to organize the plans and decorate for Halloween!

“We raise over \$250 and picked up some new fans”

(Editor: So much can be learnt from the dedication, professionalism and enthusiasm of Alexandra. Members range in age from 7-17 years. They were the recipients of a special FOLA Best of Friends Award in 1997 and a new executive are continuing the work of their predecessors, under the watchful eye and encouragement from two admirable members of the library staff - congratulations)

Library & Information Week 2001

Monday 14 May
Information Rights Day

Tuesday 15 May
Free Day

Wednesday 16 May
Thank you Day

Thursday 17 May
National Simultaneous Storytime

Friday 18 May
Libraries Online Day



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