



Staffing

Thanks to Chris Harney for her service in many roles across the library network. We all wish her the very best in retirement.

Hui Xiao will support the University Librarians Office for about one day a week for the month of January. Options for the future are being reviewed.

Mr Mark Brokloff will join the University this Friday as our newly appointed Associate Director, Work Environment, HR Division. Welcome to Mark.

End of year

Don't forget to wash any cups etc that were exposed during the fumigation.

Financial forms. The old library billing form has become obsolete and F&BS and the Library have worked on two new forms:

1. **A receipting form:** This covers all monies collection for the library (EFTPOS, Cheque and Cash); and
2. **A request for invoice form:** This will cover all the billing requirements.

These should shortly be endorsed and on the Intranet.

Marko has advised that later this year they will explore the option of using OneStop as an online payment gateway to reduce the amount of cash collected and manual processing for Library and Finance staff.

Coordination groups

No news

ANU Press & open access

Foi request to UK government meetings. Dr Martin Eve has applied for an internal review of my partially denied FOI request with the reference FOI2015/25797 (pertaining to meetings between senior BIS officials and Elsevier/Thomson Reuters)."

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Library Publishing Consortium LibGuide. LPC has launched a LibGuide with links to and information about courses and webinars, resources and readings, and fee-based programs relevant to library publishers. The production of this guide is sponsored and coordinated by the Library Publishing Coalition (LPC) Professional Development Committee, which bears primary responsibility for assessing professional development needs and planning and implementing professional development and training opportunities for LPC members throughout the year.

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OpenEdOz. This OLT funded project has put online Excerpts from Draft Final Report - November 2015 with suggestions of radical changes including to the role of university libraries.

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OpenAIRE. Their 2015 review is online now.

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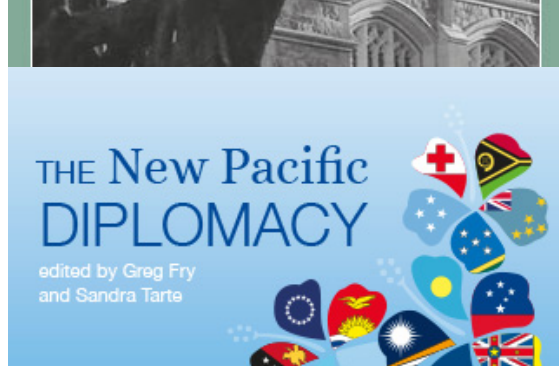
CNI presentations.

- **Is Gold Open Access Sustainable?** Presentation to CNI meeting by MacKenzie Smith and Ivy Andersen available online – [Youtube](#) and [Vimeo](#)
- **What price Open Access?** Presentation by Ivy Anderson, along with Stuart Shieber of Harvard and Raif Schimmer of the Max Planck Digital Library. Video is available from CNI's video channels, and on the project [briefing page](#)
- **Recalibrating Access, Security, Privacy and Innovation.** Clifford Lynch's opening plenary address, an overview of CNI's 2015-16 Program Plan, looks at key developments that the Coalition has been tracking over the past year, and highlights some issues of particular interest to the CNI community. [YouTube](#) and [Vimeo](#)

Disrupting the subscription journal's business model for the necessary large-scale transformation to open access. A study by the Max Planck Digital Library (MPDL) asserts that a transition to open access would be possible at no extra cost. Today, the Association of Research Libraries (ARL) released a summary of the recently-held Berlin 12 Open Access Conference that was convened to discuss a proposal by the Max Planck Society to flip subscription-based journals to open access models. ARL's report is available [here](#).

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New publications



Article, author and journal metrics: What librarians need to know? A one hour webinar by Mike Taylor, Elsevier; Rachel Borchardt, American University; and Rebecca Reznik-Zellen, University of Massachusetts Medical School, on what librarians need to know about metrics. The webinar and slides are online.

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Repositories, open access and more... Cliff Lynch speaks in a presentation a bepress with CEO JG Bankier on these topics. It is well worth listening to as it unpacks complexities in the whole repository environment including data and publications.

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New in ANU Open Access

- Finding malaria hot-spots in northern Angola: the role of individual, household and environmental factors within a meso-endemic area
- Progenitor cells of the rod-free area centralis originate in the anterior dorsal optic vesicle
- The associations between unhealthy behaviours, mental stress, and low socio-economic status in an international comparison of representative samples from Thailand and England
- Trade and investment liberalization and Asia's noncommunicable disease epidemic: a synthesis of data and existing literature
- Spatial prediction of Plasmodium falciparum prevalence in Somalia

Australian National Data Service

ANDS Events

RIF-CS and Trove/TIM one-to-one virtual training on demand: email guides@ands.org.au

Welcome to the new year.

I hope that you enjoyed the break and are refreshed and recharged.

It is an exciting year with our new Vice Chancellor Prof Brian Schmidt providing inspiration and leadership as the university moves forward. His [welcome blog](#) and [interview](#) on Radio National are well worth reading and listening to.

Our planning process will happen in March this year to enable a range of guests to talk to us.

Final flooding. Not to be outdone, a water main burst outside Menzies Library in the Christmas week. Water was restored in the afternoon. Thanks to F&S and Icon for responding so promptly.



ANU legislative instruments review.

Corporate Governance and Risk have advised that the Vice-Chancellor has approved the following items of legislation, and they are now registered on the Federal Register of Legislative Instruments. All instruments are [online](#). Most relevant to the library are

- Information Infrastructure and Services Rule 2015
- Information Infrastructure and Services Order 2015

This completes a review that began in 2014. The major changes for us are to library fines. They are now in effect. You may recall that we undertook extensive consultation with library users and library staff in the first half of 2014, making a submission in June 2014. The Communications team have been asked to update notices in the website.

CAUL news.

- **Productivity Commission inquiry into Australia's intellectual property arrangements.** The establishment of the inquiry into Australia's intellectual property arrangements was announced on 18 August 2015. The [CAUL response](#), prepared by CAUL Copyright Advisory Committee (Sylvie Saab, Jessica Coates, Catherine Clark, Alison Makins) was lodged and put online on 21 December 2015

Mellon Awards CLIR \$4.34 Million for New Round of Digitization Grants.

Ah – an Australian equivalent would be wonderful. CLIRO have [released news](#) on funding to support a second year of the Digitizing Hidden Special Collections grant program in 2016. CLIR will issue a request for 2016 proposals in mid-January.

Copyright:

- The Communications department has released a paper on reforms – to improve and simplify the act. Expect many submissions and some genuine reform this year.
- The Amsterdam district court has [ruled](#) that the original text of Anne Frank's famous World War II diary may be copied for academic research. The court said that in this case at least, scientific freedom is more important than protecting copyright.
- Google books [continues](#) – "The Authors Guild has officially asked the Supreme Court to hear its case against Google—a long-running dispute over whether copyright law allows for Google to scan and post excerpts from books for its Google Books service. The group filed a writ of certiorari with the Supreme Court on December 31.
- So dumb: "A rare crested macaque, who snapped a well-known, grinning "selfie", should be declared the photo's owner and receive damages for copyright infringement after it was used in a wildlife book, animal rights activists have argued in a lawsuit filed in the US on Tuesday." See the [article here](#).

Roxanne Missingham

Events

Celestial empire exhibition

When? 2 January 2016 to 22 May 2016,

Where? National Library of Australia

Readings

Harvard Launches "Free the Law" Digitization Project.

From the blog and Jennifer Dixon article - HLS Library will take about three years to scan and digitize that collection and, in partnership with legal technology startup Ravel Law, make it freely available to the public online. If all goes according to plan, by early to mid-2017, the "Free the Law" project will have digitized the "official print versions of all historical U.S. court decisions," according to the HLS Library blog. This will encompass the contents of 40,000 books—approximately 40 million pages of law—with publication dates from the 1700s to the present day"

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Trove changes lives. You may already have read about US designer Ivan Owen who discovered through Trove information he used for the construction of the world's first 3D-printed, body-powered, partial hand prosthesis for a young boy named Liam.

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Speech is Instinctive, Writing is Hard. This is a wonderful presentation by Harvard University Psychology academic, Steven Pinker.

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Digital Preservation Network (DPN) Explained.

This initiative, supported by a number of large universities is planned as the scholars dark archive. "It is the only large-scale digital preservation service that is built to last beyond the life spans of individuals, technological systems, and organizations. Like insurance, the DPN service provides members of the academy and their successors with a guarantee that future access to their scholarly resources will be available in the event of any type of change in administrative or physical institutional environments."

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US Copyright Officer modernisation. A bill has been introduced to achieve this. One key point of the bill is to remove the office from its current status as a division of the Library of Congress and establish it as an independent agency of the legislative branch.

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Improving Privacy by Rethinking Architecture.

This is well worth reading. Roger Schonfeld summarises the background including the new NISO standard – and then provides information on the project to develop a "personal API" initiative at Brigham Young University (BYU) – should be a very valuable project to follow and consider.

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The Future of the Monograph in the Digital Era: A Report to the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation.

"Over the course of six months during the 2014-15 academic year, a working group of faculty and administrators at Emory University met regularly to explore and understand the development of a new model for supporting and disseminating book-length publication in the humanities". Excellent questions, fascinating findings and much for us to discuss and build upon.

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Australasian Cochrane Symposium. The latest issue of Health Libraries Australia ALIA News has a very interesting report on the symposium. The Symposium sessions covered four main themes:

- Current work of the Cochrane Collaboration
- Evidence Synthesis production and publication
- Inter-relationship between Cochrane and Clinical Guidelines
- Evidence in Public: Applying and publicising SR findings.

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Academic library book purchasing trends.

White from Proquest. Based on a survey the whitepaper was requested to cover:

- Book purchasing trends in academic libraries, with a special emphasis on ebooks.
- How libraries are coping with stretched budgets in a climate of ever increasing volumes of published materials.
- Emerging trends in collection development and monographs

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ORCID ids and publishers. "A group of eight publishers today announced that, during 2016, they will begin requiring authors to use an ORCID identifier (iD) during the publication process. The first to do so is The Royal Society, which has introduced this requirement beginning January 1, 2016. In this interview, their Publishing Director, Stuart Taylor, explains why."

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