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News from HR

Staffing changes

Katy Najafi is acting in the position Manager, Open Access over the next couple of months. Katy has great expertise with the repository and Dspace and has dealt with almost every aspect of the position in the past.

Digitisation project officers. Following a recruitment process Erin Gallant and Stephanie Dangerfield have been appointed to be Digitisation project officer starting in late August and ending in late January helping us to move to the next stage in digitisation.

Policies and guidelines etc

Fines

Thanks to the Circ Group, Mark Huppert and the many who have assisted implementing the new fines legislation Thanks to Anne for her work leading the group and finalising the guidance for staff and supervisors.

Summon/Supersearch.

Mark is thrilled with new functionality that will go live on 28 July. From then we can start using an enhanced version of the "Full Text E-Journals" list. He notes that if plugs a gap in Summon functionality: the ability to select an individual journal and search inside that one title. It may also be possible to browse issues of a journal by using the advanced Summon date range search, but we'll have to try that out :

III.

III are establishing an Australasian support office with new staff and an office space set up in Melbourne in Northbank. A photo of the expanded local team plus VP Leil Pedersen is online:

ANU Press

Growth of Fully OA Journals Using CC-BY.

Claire Redhead's blogpost finds that 707,798 articles were published with the CC-BY license in open access-only journals by members of OASPA during the period in 2015, - an area of considerable growth.

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Deconstructing the Durham statement...

Sarah Reis has self-archived "Deconstructing the Durham Statement: The Persistence of Print Prestige During the Age of Open Access." She has undertaken a very detailed analysis and reached some deep conclusions – for example "This paper argues that the only way a widespread shift from print publication to electronic-only publication will occur is if the flagship law reviews at the three most elite law schools—Harvard, Yale, and Stanford—initiate reform by being the first to make this transition". The drafters of the Durham Statement included law library directors from nearly all of the top 14 law schools at that time. In February 2009, the Durham Statement was posted on the website for the Berkman Center for Internet & Society at Harvard University. The Durham Statement has 75 signatories, representing various law schools across the country. It calls for "[e]very U.S. law school to commit to ending print publication of its journals and to making definitive versions of journals and other scholarship produced at the school immediately available upon publication in stable, open, digital formats, rather than in print."

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The Rise of the New University Press: the current landscape and future direction.

A very thoughtful paper delivered at LIBER this year. "In 2016, Jisc and the Northern Collaboration, a group of 25 higher education libraries in the north of England embarked on a research study to identify, evaluate and benchmark NUPs and library-led initiatives. Informed by a desk top review of current library publishing ventures in the US, Europe and Australia, the study will provide an overview of Universities' existing and future plans and directions regarding NUPs or library publishing ventures in the UK."

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What Motivates Authors of Scholarly Articles?

The impact of an report on a survey was sent to approximately 15,000 faculty, graduate students, and postdoctoral researchers at four large North American research universities – findings "journal's reputation and fit with the author's work are the two most highly-rated attributes that respondents take into consideration" and "Respondents from across all position types and subject disciplines express that it is of the highest importance for researchers at other research-intensive institutions to have access to their research output."

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Open Access tidbits.

ACRL policy statement on OA and scholarship by academic librarians

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The case for Open Research: reproducibility, retractions & retrospective hypotheses – the first of a series of blogs from Danny Kingsley.

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New titles

ANU Open Research

Impact of Social Sciences – Essential Guide: Nine ways research gets into Parliament.

Discussions about research and policy have a tendency to be more reflective about policy-making in general, rather than focusing on the more practical aspects of how research filters through a variety of networks and into policy discussions. Sarah Foxen looks at eight specific ways research currently gets into Parliament and provides some helpful links on where to start to get more involved.

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Will Citation Distributions Reduce Impact Factor Abuses? Starts provocatively: – "Which journal performed better in 2015: *eLife* or *PLOS Biology*? '- the answer could surprise you

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New resources

- Global market effects of alternative European responses to genetically modified organisms
- The cost of rich (and poor) country protection to developing countries
- Impact of the GST and wine tax reform on Australia's wine industry: a CGE analysis
- Peculiarities of retaliation in WTO dispute settlement
- Measuring effects of trade policy distortions: how far have we come?

Australian National Data Service

What is... Research Data Australia?

Ever wondered what Research Data Australia is and how you can use it to support your research?

Research Data Australia is an online service managed by ANDS which helps you find, access and reuse data from Australian research organisations, government agencies and cultural institutions.

It contains descriptions of (and links to) thousands of datasets about anything from cancer to ancient languages to locations of public barbecues. If you are a data owner, you can also use it to make your data more discoverable.

To find out how to make the most of Research Data Australia, see the information pages on ANDS' website and then try it out yourself.

Find out more

Tech talks

August

Tech Talk: Imaging analysis tools **(various locations)** Fri 8 Jul, 3pm AEST

Data Snippets

- Wellcome Trust to launch open access research site
- How to keep more women in STEM (The Conversation article)
- The innovative use of cohort data' is the theme of the latest edition of the open access *journal Public Health Research & Practice*

Federal government – ministers announced:

The new ministry has been sworn in – key Ministers:

- Senator Simon Birmingham re-appointed Minister for Education
- The Hon Greg Hunt appointed Minister for Industry, Innovation and Science
- Senator Mitch Fifield reappointed Minister for Communications and Minister for the Arts.

PCs and electricity in Chifley:

Thanks to everyone for their patience and F&S for their support in getting the 16 pcs and power returned again to the area in level 2 of Chifley Library..

Thomson Reuters Intellectual Property & Science Business:

After announcing the division was seeking a new owner TR have announced that it has been acquired by private equity funds affiliated with Onex Corporation ("Onex") and Baring Private Equity Asia ("Baring Asia") for $3.55 billion in Cas. Products in the division include Web of Science, Thomson CompuMark, Thomson Innovation, MarkMonitor, Thomson Reuters Cortellis and Thomson IP Manager.

New Librarians' Symposium: A reminder - the 8th New Librarians' Symposium

to be held at the National Library of Australia in June 2017 and would love to receive proposals for presentations. See www.nlsa.com or follow @NLSAdels on Twitter and Instagram using the hashtag #NLS8.

Condolences:

It has been a very sad time over the past couple of weeks. Robert Foster, Brian Murray (who was a senior librarian in the Parliamentary Library for many years), Duncan Alexander (a librarian at the Department of the Environment). Condolences also to Cathy Neil and Kathy Collers for the loss of loved ones. Our deepest condolences all in the families.

CAUL:

- CAUL's response to the Productivity Commission report on Intellectual property is now online. It was prepared by CAC member, Catherine Clark.
- CAUL commissioned CAVAL to convert all available historical statistics to Excel spreadsheets – the final years of 1969 to 1982 are now available online.

National Research Infrastructure.

Chief Scientist Alan Finkel has issued an issues paper on capabilities required in national research infrastructure investment over the next decade. Submissions are welcome and can be made until 9 September 2016. National consultation sessions will take place from 26 July to 9 September.

Carla Hayden approved as new Librarian of Congress:

"The Association of Research Libraries (ARL) applauds the US Senate's approval today, in a vote of 74-18, of the nomination of Carla D. Hayden as the 14th Librarian of Congress. Hayden is currently the CEO of the Enoch Pratt Free Library in Baltimore, Maryland, and a member of the US National Museum and Library Services Board."

Roxanne Missingham
University Librarian

Events

Professor Sir Geoffrey Crossick, Distinguished Professor of the Humanities, University of London
Understanding the Value of Arts and Culture
ANU#3
Thursday 28 July, 6pm
Roland Wilson Lecture Theatre.
More information about the event can be found here.

Readings

Textbooks in Academic Libraries: The Publisher's Cut.

This post presents a case for why publishers would want to participate in a program to lower costs for academic libraries. The plan would include a means for publishers to retain their profitability)

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Rethinking Research Libraries in the Era of Global Universities:

Anne R. Kenney and Xin Li "make the case for creating an engagement-oriented library structure to support the dramatic rise of the internationalization of American universities.

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International Linked Data Survey for Implementers.

Karen Smith-Yoshimura's paper is a must read – she analyses the 71 institutional responses to the 2015 International Linked Data Survey for implementers. Includes the workbook. Do read it!

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CAUDIT survey.

The results of the latest CAUDIT survey to identify the issues that related to the strategic utilisation of technology within their university or research institution is online.

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Integrating the Library in the Life of the User.

OCLC has released this new publication for ideas on how to provide user-centered library services. Compiled by OCLC Research Scientist Lynn Silipigni Connaway and annotated by Research Support Specialist Erin M. Hood, it contains 39 sources to consult for ideas on developing new ways of sharing virtual and physical services in order to engage users with the library.

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Libraries and the curse of knowledge.

Lorcan Dempsey writes: "Libraries are now very aware of how they need to move beyond generic to describing their services—in signage, in informational materials, or in user interfaces. The goal is to be clearly understood by those who do not already understand library structures or specialist terminology. To be clearly understood, one cannot presume that potential users already understand how the library works, or is structured, or what jargon is used to describe services. One example here is discovery."

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Browser the Texas library cat's job is saved.

A light-red "Why the city council of White Settlement, Texas, decided to fire Browser (right), cat mascot of the city public library, is not clear, but after the two weeks ago was 2–1 to banish Browser. On July 1, under an avalanche of complaints, the council members decided unanimously that Browser could stay. Browser's supporters began a petition drive, and of course the internet got involved, and more than 1,000 messages from around the world later, the council voted again unanimously to keep Browser."

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Academic Libraries and the Textbook Taboo: Time to Get Over It?

Has the time come for academic libraries to start thinking seriously about providing textbooks to their student patrons? A few are already doing so--why not more?

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Don't panic! Managing library anxiety with a library survival guide.

Good article by Elizabeth Dilthey, Amber Wilson, Chrissy Karafit, Amanda Bryant, Chris Granger. "Many academic libraries, particularly incoming college freshmen, are source abound what the library offers, how it is useful, where they can receive assistance. A library guide or handbook, if designed to appear interesting and relevant to students, can address these issues. This article examines the creation, distribution, and assessment of a library survival guide given to incoming college freshmen. The goal of the guide is to decrease library anxiety and familiarize new students with library resources and services. Results and revisions of future editions of the guide are also discussed"

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2015 Canadian Association of Research Libraries Annual Report Academic Libraries.

Very useful report – dozens for the year are summarised under the heading:

- Advance the Vision of Canadian Research Libraries
- Build the Capacity of Canadian Research Libraries
- Promote the Value of Canadian Research Libraries
- Support Access to Research

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Rewarding Open Access Scholarship in Promotion And Tenure: Driving Institutional Change.

Jere Odell, Heather Coates, and Kristi Palmer have published "Rewarding Open Access Scholarship in Promotion And Tenure: Driving Institutional Change" in College & Research Libraries News. Here's an excerpt: Here we describe the efforts of one institution, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis (IUPUI), to reward OA scholarship in the P&T process. With librarians as advocates, participants, […]

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D-Lib articles.

A terrific issue – it includes:

- Preservation Challenges in the Digital Age by Bernadette Houghton, Deakin University, Geelong, Australia
- Exporting Finnish Digitized Historical Newspaper Contents for Offline Use By Tuula Pääkkönen, Jukka Kervinen, Mikko Kettunen, National Library of Finland; Asko Nivala, University of Turku, Finland; Eetu Mäkelä, Aalto University, Finland
- The Pathway of Research Software Preservation: An Educational and Planning Resource for Service Development By Fernando Rios, Data Management Services, Data Curation Librarian, Johns Hopkins University
- Deploying Islandora as a Digital Repository Platform: a Multifaceted Experience at the University of Denver Libraries By Shea-Tinn Yeh, Fernando Reyes, Jeff Rynhart, Philip Bain, University of Denver
- Participatory Culture in Memory Institutions: of Diversity, Ethics and Trust? By Chern Li Liew and Ferne Cheetham, Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand
- Analysis of International Linked Data Survey for Implementers By Karen Smith-Yoshimura, OCLC Research

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