

### Staffing

Rebecca Barber has accepted the acting role in Chifley while Diane is in Menzies

Ms Kimberley Gaal has accepted their offer of employment for the position of Marketing & Communications Coordinator

Fran Antioch will be replacing Ruby Berry in Chifley Library User Services from July 10<sup>th</sup>.

The wonderful team in HR that supports us now includes Matthew Fish who replaces Luke. Do warmly welcome him.

### Policy Training

The Corporate Governance and Risk Office will be holding more of our training workshop *Unearthing policies and delegations*, in the second half of 2017. The two planned dates are:

- Tuesday 18 July 2017, 10:00am - 11:30am
- Tuesday 5 December 2017, 10:00am - 11:30am

This workshop is a guided tour of the functionality and information available from the Policy Library website, Delegations webpages and Delegations module of the HORUS system. The goal is to ensure that participants come away feeling confident in the use of these webpages, to obtain the information they need to perform their job. We recommend that staff who are new to the University or who use policy and delegations frequently in their job, attend this workshop. Please note this workshop does not cover recent changes to the HR System to support the management of delegations.

There is no charge for participating in this workshop. There was considerable demand for places in the workshop last time, so we encourage participants to enrol early.

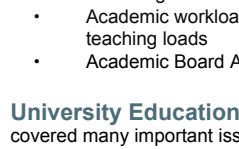
### SIS NEWS

**SIERRA downtime.** Sierra downtime for updates scheduled:

- update to Sierra operating system (via ITS) on Thurs 6 July at 5PM. Downtime about 3 hours.
- update to Sierra 3.1 on Thurs 13 July also at 5PM. Downtime about 4 hours.

Mark will provide information – in the meantime the release notes are [here](#).

**Library committees: proposed changes.** Still time for your views! [read more](#)



**SIS SYMPOSIUM.** Do put 8<sup>th</sup> September in your diary. We now have a [website](#) – it's time for everyone to think about whether they would like to do a poster or presentation!

**University Academic Board.** The meeting covered many important issues including:

- Report from the Vice-Chancellor
- Report from the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic)
- Report from the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research)
- Hot Topic: SELT Review development of SELT Tool and beyond SELT: A new framework for teaching and learning enhancement
- ANU Advancement Education program For discussion and Information
- ANU Education 2015 Closeout
- National Code of Practice for Providers of Education and Training to Overseas Students Consultation Draft
- Federal government higher education
- Academic workloads and uneven distribution of teaching loads
- Academic Board Accreditation Subcommittee

**University Education committee.** The meeting covered many important issues including:

- How do we harness the capabilities of our alumni to further strengthen ANU education? Great discussion led by Mr Sunny Forsyth, Chief Executive Officer of Abundant Water
- TEQSA report "Characteristics of Australian higher education providers and their relation to first-year student attrition"
- Results of the 2016 Student Experience Survey
- Audit of zero enrolled courses from 2016
- PHB/R&D Conditions of Award Committee report
- Chancellor's Scholars Program 2017
- Proposed Education Committee Structures
- Admissions, Scholarships and Accommodation (ASA) Scope Paper
- Beyond SELT: A new framework for teaching and learning enhancement
- Award reviews.

**Menzies Library.** "I think that your staff deserve the Client of the Year award because they have been terrific in the way that they have handled the necessary noise associated with the refurbishment works. Could you please congratulate them on their patience and understanding, and let them know that the main jackhammering work has been completed. The contractors are very appreciative of their patience. There will however be occasions where minor clean-up work is required, although it will not be sustained for long periods (or as loud hopefully) as it has been to date. Re-installment of the stone facings that have been taken off should not be as intrusive as the work done so far. The roof waterproofing works are completed and have been tested and certified as complete. The glazing of the windows has been done, however there are some water sealing problems arising, and we are currently working on a fix with the engineers. Also the internal faces of the external walls of the Menzies Library require painting ..." Note glaziers will be returning next week to complete the sealant works and then painting.

**Welcome to Karl James.** Karl is the new Executive Officer of the Pacific Manuscripts Bureau- do welcome her!

### CAUL.

- David Howard has been appointed as the University Librarian at RMIT
- Peter Green is acting University Librarian, Murdoch University, while recruitment gets underway – replace Susan Ashcroft
- Don't forget – you can [subscribe](#) to the CAUL newsletter.

**Union Court.** Heather has been representing us at meetings – report:

- No official sign off for the whole project coming soon
- The Pop up Village will be working from Monday 3 July with some businesses in place. Noted that the Commonwealth Bank is expected to be in place next Monday.
- Both PARSAs and ANUSA will be operating from Melville Hall.
- Truck access when the building process is underway will be via North Road.

**In terms of Chifley:**

- The chosen electric cart to be used for deliveries is not able to work in wet weather and another option is being sourced.
- Bike parking spaces will go ahead as agreed in meetings last week, i.e. on the grass area directly in front of Chifley Library and where the ivy is currently growing when you descend the steps to Winston Walk – on the left hand side
- Confirmed that the access ramp will be 1.8 metres to allow wheelchairs and electric scooters to be able to negotiate the ramp. This ramp will also be the access point for the delivery cart.
- Noted that access to Chifley from Concessions Lane cannot be stopped until this ramp has been built.
- NCA approval is pending, expected in 2-3 weeks. It will take 3-4 weeks for the access ramp to be built, and only then will the hoardings be able to be placed around Chifley.

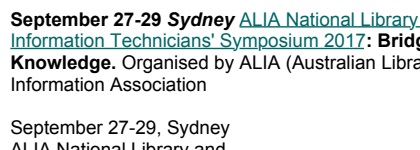
**ANU Scholarly Information Services**  
**Workforce Plan.** Thanks to all who have provided feedback so far – please do have a look at the draft plan and give me your feedback! Don't forget to have a look and provide feedback!  
[read more](#)

**Electronic Records Management System.** A great new newsletter is out for users with tips and techniques.  
[read more](#)

**Top news of the week.** The Sci-Hub story reached a new point with a New York district court awarding Elsevier US\$15 million in damages for copyright infringement by Sci-Hub, the Library of Genesis (LibGen) project and related sites.  
[read more](#)

**Connecting Myanmar libraries to global academia.** A reflection on the state of university libraries, the challenges, the opportunities and the project we are working on to improve library and information science education at the University of Yangon.  
[read more](#)

**ALIA's 80<sup>th</sup> birthday.** A celebration of change – do have a look at the lovely [video](#) that contrasts two sets of ALIA members



**New opening hours webpage.** A great clear easy to read webpage is now [online](#). Thanks to Heather and the Comms team for achieving this.

Roxanne Missingham  
University Librarian

### SIS facilities

Heather Jenks and Rob Carruthers met earlier this week to work through the Maximo requests and Service Now request workflows

Rob Carruthers remains the building custodian for

- Chifley
- Hume
- Hancock (Hancock East only)
- Menzies (including Archives), ILP, Library Communications, SIS Facilities, Shift Squad and ANU Press

**Art & Music and Law** have their own building custodians which library contacts need to work with for specific building issues. For these two libraries issues with Library equipment, fit out, building management issues or furniture need to go through to Rob and Belinda as per normal.

The agreed workflow for all building maintenance issues (e.g. heating, cooling, airflow, broken windows, broken furniture, broken toilet doors etc., plus cleaning issues) email through to Rob and Belinda using the [sis.facilities@anu.edu.au](mailto:sis.facilities@anu.edu.au) email address

These facilities will be loaded into the Maximo system that will then allocate the task to the appropriate area of ANU to follow up. Rob and Belinda will monitor the resolution of the requests.

Service Now requests (mainly ITS issues do NOT put building issues into this system) – continue as before with staff logging technology issues, issues with staff MFD's, paper jams and student MFD's (please copy Rob and/or Belinda into these Service Now requests so that they are aware that there is an issue)

Rob is authorised to make changes to Library staff access to Library buildings via the Cardex system and this will continue.

Thanks to Rob, Belinda and Alan for their input into the workflows and to F&S staff, in particular Cara Jacobs and Sharyn Sinclair-Hannocks, who have been very helpful as we have worked through this transition stage.

Heather Jenks  
Associate Director Library Services

### Events and activities

**August 30 6-7pm.** Sir Roland Wilson Building, ANU  
**ANU Emeritus Faculty Lecture** in association with the National Scholarly Communications Forum  
**Promoting Knowledge in the Age of Unreason. Toward the Internet of the Mind**  
Professor Jean-Claude Guédou  
Département de littératures et de langues du monde Université de Montréal, Canada  
To book click [here](#)  
September 8<sup>th</sup>, ANU  
**SIS symposium.**

**September 27-29 Sydney ALIA National Library and Information Technicians' Symposium 2017: Bridge to Knowledge.** Organised by ALIA (Australian Library and Information Association)

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### Australian National Data Service



### LIBER Europe webinar

On 8 June LIBER ran a [webinar](#) on 'Systems and Services: Adding Value For Research'. The recording has now been published online.

Natasha Simons (ANDS) spoke at the event about the five strategies Australian research institutions have used to maximise the value of their research data assets:

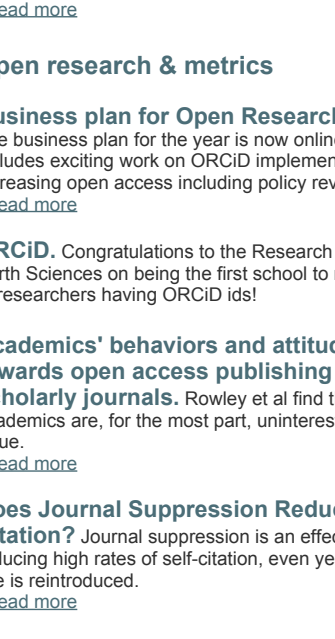
- Revising institutional data management strategic plan
- Rethinking data management plans and tools
- Connecting and integrate research systems
- Tracking project activities, contributors and outputs
- Leveraging skills and knowledge gained through the ANDS 23 (research data) Things program

### Worth reading

- [A text-mining tool is searching out hidden research datasets that are supposed to be public - and it's already found hundreds of them](#)
- [Machine-learning project will analyse 1,000 years of Venice maps and manuscripts](#)
- [Share research data for benefit of science, says Springer Nature's chief publishing officer](#)

### ANU Press & open access

**Crossick, Jubb and Pinter debate the scholarly monograph.** The Bookseller reports that the debate on the Academic Book of the Future. Dr Michael Jubb noted that the average sale of titles has dropped from 99 to 59 since 2015. He is quoted as saying "The key question is whether too many books are being published, or whether enough effort is being made to turn potential demand into actual demand [for them]." Geoff Crossick commented on the importance of the scholarly monograph. Frances Pinter talked about the importance of publishing works of high scholarly value.  
[read more](#)



### Open access tidbits

- [No deal with Elsevier. Finnish researchers have continued their support to the negotiations and have now launched a "no deal no review" - site. The signatories will abstain from editorial duties in Elsevier journals until a fair deal with open access is reached.](#)  
[read more](#)
- [Finnish statement on open access. Finnish universities association UNIFI has published a statement which strongly demands affordable pricing and open access.](#)  
[read more](#)
- [Is the staggeringly profitable business of scientific publishing bad for science? Predictions of the fall of Elsevier have proved to be untrue - this article unravels financial greed \(Maxwell!\) and predicts the continuation of big publishers.](#)  
[read more](#)

### Open research & metrics

**Business plan for Open Research @ ANU.** The business plan for the year is now online – it includes exciting work on ORCID implementation and increasing open access including policy review.  
[read more](#)

**ORCID.** Congratulations to the Research School of Earth Sciences on being the first school to reach 100% of researchers having ORCID iDs!

**Academics' behaviors and attitudes towards open access publishing in scholarly journals.** Rowley et al find that academics are, for the most part, uninterested in this issue.  
[read more](#)

**Does Journal Suppression Reduce Self-Citation?** Journal suppression is an effective tool for reducing high rates of self-citation, even years after a title is reintroduced.  
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**Impact factors.** "The research counts, not the journal!" Nobel Laureates speak out against impact factors.  
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### New in the repository:

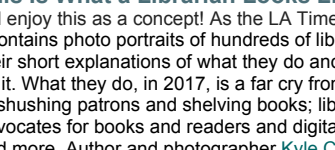
- [Optomechanical enhancements for applications in metrology](#)
- [A Numerical Model of Atomic Relaxation and its Applications](#)
- [Scalable Loss-calibrated Bayesian Decision Theory and Preference Learning](#)
- [Grow: Experiencing Nature in the Fifth Dimension](#)
- [Corruption in timber production and trade: An analysis based on case studies in the Tarai of Nepal](#)

### What's new in scholcomm

**What I Learned from Predatory Publishers.** Jeffrey Beall gives his insights from years in the trenches. Not sure you will agree with his analysis of the genesis of OA policy (librarians attacking Elsevier). Slight hyperbole "I think predatory publishers pose the biggest threat to science since the invention of the printing press". He concludes with concerns about those who attacked him for work against predatory publishing – librarians who were OA missionaries. Whatever you think this is worth reading!  
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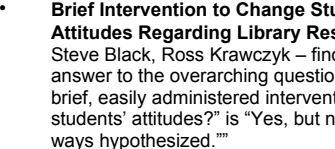
**Research Data Alliance.** The most recent RD-A Plenary was held in Barcelona in April – lots of information is online. There was once again a strong focus on RD-A outputs and adoption stories, and 18 Australians attended to contribute to governance, working and interest groups. The Head of the Unit "Infrastructure & Science Cloud" in DG Connect at the European Commission, Dr Augusto Burgueno Arjona, provided a provocative perspective on the future of RDA. The [video](#) is well worth watching.  
[read more](#)

**Microsoft Academic.** *Sven E. Hug and Martin P. Brändle's LSE Impact blog post finds:* "Microsoft Academic combines the following features of existing databases: a broad coverage (Google Scholar), structured and rich metadata as well as functionality (Scopus and Web of Science), and a social network for academics (ResearchGate). In addition, accessing raw data is relatively cheap. Given these features and the ongoing development, we believe Microsoft Academic is on the verge of becoming a bibliometric superpower." Much has changed in the past year!  
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**Scholia - a high level interoperability framework for exchanging information on links between scholarly literature and data.** The framework is a global community and multi-stakeholder driven effort involving journal publishers, data centers, and global service providers.  
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**98% of the Australians engage with the arts.** Yes including librarians!  
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**Navigating Research.** An interesting new report from OUP on how academic users understand, discover, and utilize reference resources.  
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**The new role of the library in teaching and learning outcomes.** Ken Chad & Helen Anderson provide an interesting overview of the challenges for libraries – concludes that the digital agenda is "a leadership issue... it is also one where librarians have much to offer." They suggest that libraries need to be "more strategic in positioning their value propositions in the context of a wider institutional approach to teaching and learning outcomes".  
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**This Is What a Librarian Looks Like.** You will enjoy this as a concept! As the LA Times [reports](#) "contains photo portraits of hundreds of librarians and their short explanations of what they do and why they do it. What they do, in 2017, is a far cry from the idea of shushing patrons and shelving books; librarians are advocates for books and readers and digital literacy and more. Author and photographer Kyle Cassidy travelled all over the country to compile these portraits. Here's a sample of the book, published by Black Dog & Leventhal".  
[read more](#)

**International conference on performance measurement in libraries.** Two papers from Australia this year! **Did you find it? The Curtin materials availability survey** by David Weils (Curtin University) and **One small step: Developing a framework for assessing Australian higher education libraries** by Jennifer Peasley (La Trobe University)  
[read more](#)

**Wiley publishing clinic.** Dr. Oliveira, Editor-in-Chief, Small, Wiley and Dr. Thamyoungkit, Associate Professor, Chulalongkorn University have given a webinar on this very important topic.  
[read more](#)

**Reference and User Services Quarterly. Some very interesting articles in this new issue:**

- Brief Intervention to Change Students' Attitudes Regarding Library Research** by Steve Black, Ross Krawczyk – finds "The answer to the overarching question "Can a brief, easily administered intervention shift students' attitudes?" is "Yes, but not in the ways hypothesized."
- Information Literacy and Instruction: Teaching and Learning Alternatives: A Global Overview** by Esther Grassian – very useful analysis "IL/MIL models and standards developed and utilized worldwide, along with issues and challenges, through a selection of models and approaches developed in a number of countries"
- Specialized Reference Services at Illinois: Reference Transactional Analysis and Its Implications for Service Providers and Administrators** by Joe Lenkart, Jen-chien Yu – very thoughtful review of a changed reference model based on examining in-person, phone, and email transactions from five specialized and two general reference service points for the period July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2015
- Why do Students Seek Help in an Age of DIY? Using a Qualitative Approach to Look Beyond Statistics** by Marc Vinyard, Colleen Mullally, Jamie Beth Colvin – while only 10 students were used in the study and no one will be surprised that students believe they should be able to do their research themselves without help using publicly accessible search tools, the study finds "that students spent at least thirty minutes conducting research and typically worked alone in their initial searches, with some conducting their research in library study spaces, dorm rooms, and classrooms". Yes and found libraries helpful!  
[read more](#)