



Margaret's farewell – Archive staff together

### From HR

Sally Webster is on leave this month.

HR staff are continuing to provide great help – email [hr.services@anu.edu.au](mailto:hr.services@anu.edu.au)

### SIS NEWS

**Congratulations** to Amy Chan who has been appointed as Collections and Content Manager ACT Public library.

**Congratulations** to Alissa McCulloch whose first journal article was published over the Christmas break: ['Cataloguing and classifying board and tabletop games'](#) in the open access journal *Catalogue and Index*, run by CLIP's Cataloguing and Indexing Group..

### CAUL.

- Matthew Evans has been appointed to the role of Director, Library Services and Knowledge Management at Murdoch University
- TEQSA: Guidance Note: [Staffing, Learning Resources and Educational Support](#) were updated on 22 November "Clarification that students must have access to a qualified librarian, and addition to "What will TEQSA look for?" text box
- The second CAUL newsletter for 2018 is [out now](#)

### Copyright.

- In the category of amazing copyright cases – must have consumed millions of billable hours – great report on the *New Yorker* [When Barbie Went to War with Bratz](#)
- ADA Forum - **Flexible and Adaptable: the Future of Copyright** – more details [here](#).



**ANU University site plan documents digitised.** The early National Capital Planning and Development Committee file about the University's site in Acton has been digitised. The file begins in July 1938 when Sir Robert Garran, as President of the University Association of Canberra, wrote to the Secretary of the Department of the Interior urging the government to take 'immediate steps to reserve and dedicate an adequate and suitable area and to place it under a trust for University purposes.' It gives great insights into early views and conflicts. The [digital copy](#) is available in the Open Research repository, the original file is held by the ACT Territory Records Office

### Building works.

**Union Court Redevelopment Project.** Highlights:

- POP UP VILAGE/UNIVERSITY AVENUE Tree Removal well underway
- Apologies for the cable that was cut resulting in phone and other interruptions.

**Hancock Library** – works well underway for linking the Library to the main plant. Thanks very much to Samantha for her leadership and to everyone for their patience.

**Cleaning contract.** The new contract starts at the beginning of Sem 2018 i.e. 19th Feb. Some key issues: All under desk rubbish bins will need to be emptied by occupier of said desk into a communal bin. Paper bins will remain in place and will be emptied by the cleaners.

Cleaners will start at 6 am not as at present 4 a.m., will be finished by 9am. They will use cordless vacuums and vacuums with low decibel outputs to lessen noise and disturbance.

Building Custodians will be meet with and the new contract worked through with them, and their input on the placement of bins in the buildings will be sought.

Heather will continue to ensure information is provided to all areas.

**CLOCKSS.** The CLOCKSS Archive and SAGE Publishing have announced today that the SAGE e-book offerings on its SAGE Research Methods (SRM) and SAGE Knowledge (SK) platforms will be digitally preserved for the long-term in the CLOCKSS Archive.

Roxanne Missingham

### POLICY TRAINING WORKSHOPS.

As part of the Corporate Governance & Risk Office's work to improve the quality and effectiveness of the University's policy documents, we are pleased to be running the fifth series of our [Policy Training Workshops Program](#).

The program has been designed to provide staff who work in the development, review and application of policy with a comprehensive coverage of best practice in the various aspects of the policy governance lifecycle. The program consists of six workshops, which are delivered over a six month period:

- [Introduction to policy governance](#)
- [Effective policy development and review](#)
- [Policy writing](#)
- [Procedure writing](#)
- [Form writing](#)
- [Communications and consultation for policy work](#)

The program's workshops are delivered by myself, with Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic), Marmie Hughes-Warrington, presenting the three writing workshops.

Who should attend?

- Senior managers who work with policy
- Policy practitioners in Service Divisions
- College staff who interpret and apply policy on a regular basis
- Service Division staff who implement policy
- Staff who aspire to work in a policy role, but currently don't.

Participants may enrol in all workshops or pick and mix the workshops of most interest. There is no charge for participating in these workshops. Demand for the last series of the program was more than we could meet, and places in each workshop are limited, so I encourage staff to enrol early.

I would ask that you share this email with any colleagues within your Service Division who this may be of interest to. Enrolment is now open for all workshops (via HORUS), with the first workshop being held on Tuesday 30 January. For further information, please use the above web links. Please direct any queries to me, at [policy@anu.edu.au](mailto:policy@anu.edu.au).

Regards

Andrew Heath *GAICD*

### Events and activities

#### Research support community day 2018.

Registrations are now [open](#) for the 2018 Research Support Community Day in Melbourne. The program will be available soon and will include presentations from a variety of speakers including researchers, librarians, government agencies, and e-research specialists. There will be opportunities to network and to hear what other Australian research and academic libraries are doing in the research support and services space.

**Date:** Monday 12 February 2018

**Time:** 9:00am - 5:00pm

**Venue:** University of Melbourne, Forum Theatre, Arts West Building

**ADA Copyright Forum.** First keynote is [Professor Ruth Okediji](#) of Harvard University other confirmed speakers include [Professor Jill McKeough](#) of UTS, [Seb Chan](#) of ACMI, and [Jonny Roses](#) of the IGEA..

**DATE:** Friday 9 February 2018

**VENUE:** National Library

More information [online](#).

#### Share-it – resource sharing futures

**conference.** Related Histories: Studying the Family is a two-day conference Organised by ALIA & Libraries Australia

**DATE:** 10-11 May 2018

**VENUE:** National Library of Australia, Canberra Register [online](#).

### ANU Press & open access

#### Congratulations to ANZOG on their

50<sup>th</sup> title. [ANZOG's 50th title with ANU Press is now published – Value for Money: Budget and financial management reform in the People's Republic of China. Taiwan and Australia is a collection of papers on budget and financial management reform that will shape new thinking.](#)

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#### Updated NHMRC Open access

policy out. The updated [NHMRC Open Access Policy](#) has now been released. The NHMRC will send out a broader communique through the [NHMRC Tracker](#) late January.

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**UCL Press megajournal.** This is a game changer – from the publicity UCL Press is launching a new open access megajournal that will provide academics and students with ground-breaking research free of charge in a move that challenges traditional commercial publishing models. "The megajournal aims to revolutionise academic publishing by slashing publication times, providing research for free to anyone with an internet connection and publishing online what peer reviewers have to say about the studies to improve transparency." UCL Press is also developing an open access platform for textbooks, rising from the initial two to 12 to start with in another move that overturns the conventional model of selling textbooks over the counter."

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#### Adoption of open access is rising –

but so too are its costs. Stephen Pinfield and Rob Johnson outline some of the key findings of the recent Monitoring the Transition to Open Access report arguing the UK policy has been successful with thoughts on policy issues.

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#### Colin Steele on open access.

Published in *The Australian* yesterday Colin's article "Open access can rescue precious research from greedy publishers" calls for strategic action by authors and librarians.

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#### Open access – a call for

reinvigorated action. Bernard Rentier – always a great thinker on OA – has written a great blog post. He begins by noting that "less than half" of the scientific literature, the rest being still hidden behind paywalls and unaffordable by many". He asks whose fault is the slow progress of OA and criticises Journal impact factors. He argues that science needs a break from the pressured publishing cycle and metrics obsession. Fabulous.

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**Costs of open access.** A very detailed analytic piece by Martin Paul Eve, Kitty Inglis, David Prosser, Lara Speicher, Graham Stone – concludes "A budget transition strategy would need to be finalized by mid-2018 and implemented by 2019 if a full mandate for OA monographs is to be implemented for the third REF.

An approach relying on library budgets to bear the load of a transition to open access for books published in the next REF is not viable on its own and contains a shortfall of approximately £6.8m per year, if the entire UK library monograph budget was spent on REF outputs alone. The fact that the UK would be moving alone within an international publication environment means that it is not possible to spend the entire budget on publishing just REF books open access.

However, some offsetting could be achieved here in conjunction with other approaches in order to incentivize publisher moves to open access.

An approach that hypothecated or top-sliced QR, the AHRC, and/or ESRC budgets potentially has enough funding to ensure the transition at current average market rates.

Care must be taken around the political implications of touching these budgets, though. Decisions would need to be taken around the administration of such a fund...

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### Open research

**Metrics – quantity trumps.** Peter van den Besselaar and Ulf Sandström have studied a large sample of researchers and found that, while results vary by field, there is a positive and stronger than linear relationship between productivity and quality (in terms of the top cited papers). This same pattern appears to apply to institutions as well as individual researchers..

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**How many ANU publications can be made open access?** Elke has been doing great work analysing titles eligible for ERA. A remarkable number of journal articles can be made openly accessible – we are following up to see if resources can be obtained to automate to ensure this happens.

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**Dimensions from Digital Science – a new citation index.** Digital Science is launching a new citation index that includes a research analytics suite a modern article discovery and access experience. This new product, Dimensions, will offer stiff new competition for Elsevier and Clarivate.

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**New in the repository:**

- [The Design and circulation of domestic news in China 1978-1982](#)
- [Towards a delicate balance: oppositions and reconciliations in O'Neill's plays](#)
- [Agnostic learning and single hidden layer neural networks](#)
- [From Harbour Autocracies to "Feudal" Diffusion in Seventeenth Century Indonesia: The Case of Aceh](#)
- [Defoe and management: the interplay between characters and their circumstances in some works by Daniel Defoe](#)

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### What's new in scholcomm

**Predictions for scholarly communications for 2018.** Read the Scholarly Kitchen's chefs views – technology, mergers, more open access complexities.

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**How to Get Students into the Library: Revamping a Campaign.** Thanks to Joanna for this reference "This paper is based on a parallel session presented at the BIALL Conference 2017 by Corryn Walker. The content focusses on a project undertaken by Manchester Metropolitan University Library during 2015/2016 to revamp their 'Welcome and Induction' programme. The project was coordinated by Corryn Walker and Elaine Cooke, both Deputy Library Services Managers. The article covers the background to, and motivation behind the project, its aims and objectives and the changes made to improve how the library welcomes new students to the service".

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**CNI**

- Closing plenary Herbert Van de Sompel: [Scholarly Communication: Deconstruct & Decentralize?](#)
- [Developing the Scholarly Communication Ecosystem: A CMLU Perspective](#), David Scherer, Ole Villadsen, Keith Webster (Carnegie Mellon University)
- [Library Analytics Case Study: Informing and Transforming Library Instruction Programs](#), Laurie Alexander, Doreen Bradley (University of Michigan)
- Clifford Lynch's opening address, [Resilience and Engagement in an Era of Uncertainty](#).

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**The scholarly commons need to be developed on public standard.** Access to scholarship is becoming ever more dependent on one's (or one's institution's) financial means. Björn Brembs and Guy Geltner argue that one solution to these growing problems is for scholarship to have open, public standards; both for its Web 1.0 tasks, like reading, writing, and citing, but also, crucially, for its Web 2.0 functionalities.

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