



Thanks to everyone who assisted in the activities through the December/January bushfires. Do read the ANU [Factsheets to help beat the health hazards of smoke haze](#)

SIS News

National Library of Australia Collection policy and practice. The National Library has reviewed and cancelled a number of subscriptions to Asian resources that were not consistent with their CDP. I have talked to the Director General about their strategic approach and the list of cancellations has been checked. We are now seeking academic views on any subscriptions that we should take out. NLA has now written to CAUL and ANU Library and there will be a process of discussion in 2020.

CAUL.

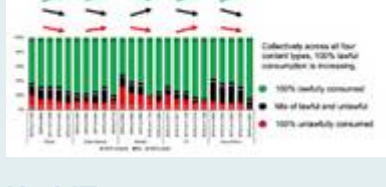
- Fiona Salisbury University Librarian from La Trobe University has been appointed Program Director for the new CAUL Enabling a Modern Curriculum Program

Copyright.

- Congratulations to Liz Stanton (UA Copyright Officer) and her husband - Ainsley Jean was born on 17 December.



- the new ALCC website has been soft launched. You can view the new site on the https://libcopyright.org.au/ domain
- Regulating in the digital age Government Response and Implementation Roadmap for the Digital Platforms Inquiry has been released. Immediate commitments:
- establish a special unit in the ACCC to monitor and report on the state of competition and consumer protection in digital platform markets, take enforcement action as necessary, and undertake inquiries as directed by the Treasurer, starting with the supply of online advertising and ad-tech services
- address bargaining power concerns between digital platforms and media businesses by tasking the ACCC to facilitate the development of a voluntary code of conduct
- commence a staged process to reform media regulation towards an end state of a platform-neutral regulatory framework covering both online and offline delivery of media content to Australian consumers
- ensure privacy settings empower consumers, protect their data and best serve the Australian economy by building on our commitment to increase penalties and introduce a binding online privacy code announced in the 2019-20 Budget, through further strengthening of Privacy Act protections, subject to consultation and design of specific measures as well as conducting a review of the Privacy Act.
- There has been much comment about the Trump administration plan to mandate immediate open access publication of federally funded research. The publishers have been responding with concerns with debate report in the THE and elsewhere
- The Dept of Communications and the Arts - now MOGGed - released the Consumer survey on online copyright infringement 2019 on 23 December. The report presents the main findings for the fifth consumer survey of online copyright infringement amongst Australians aged 12+, conducted in March 2019. The report and slide deck is online



HathiTrust. In 2020 we will be developing our relationship with HathiTrust as a member. They have published some very useful information online - : [What You Want to Know: Answers from HathiTrust Staff](#). Issues addressed include:

- How is HathiTrust supporting the drive to a more open scholarly communications ecosystem?
- Are there any initiatives in the works to make the HathiTrust collection more diverse and inclusive?
- Currently HathiTrust doesn't accept born-digital materials. When do you plan to be able to bring in formats other than digitized print books, and what are the next steps toward that goal?
- How will HathiTrust expand access for member institutions to the entire shared corpus, including works not held in print by member institutions? How is membership to be valued with only partial access to the HathiTrust corpus?

Ebook industry. 2020 is likely to be a year of changes in the industry. The first major announcement (24 December) was the acquisition of OverDrive by KKR. While OverDrive is a public library product this signals a step from commercial operators to the ebook field and is likely to increase the profit focus. In the past this sort of approach has led to shortening availability of titles and increasing pricing - watch this space!

Elsevier. One day we will have a fortnight where Elsevier is not in the news! The latest development is a framework agreement between the Association of Universities in the Netherlands, The Netherlands Federation of University Medical Centres (NFU), The Dutch Research Council (NWO), and Elsevier. Touted as in accordance with Plan S and "a major breakthrough for open science in the Netherlands." The framework agreement, with a transition period from January 1 through May 1, 2020, provides Dutch researchers with full reading access to all Elsevier journals, and allows (unlimited) open access publishing in Elsevier journals.

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Events

SIS Planning Day DATE: 3 FEBRUARY 2020 VENUE: Graneek Room

FROM HR

HR staff have worked through the challenges of the bushfire period to ensure that all pay runs occur.

I would like to thank HR staff for their work and commitment to support us.

Australian Research Data Commons

Happy new year from ARDC

ANU Press and Open Access Publishing.

Plan S. Alicia Wise and Lorraine Estelle's article How society publishers can accelerate their transition to open access and align with Plan S covers broad ground. From the many recommendations, this one caught my eye:- A clearer picture of how scholarly communications might evolve over the medium term could be helpful to all stakeholders. It is easier to look for opportunities to accelerate a transition to OA, and to create a sound foundation for Open Science more broadly, if stakeholders share an understanding of what is likely to happen. Our recommendation is that, before the end of 2020, stakeholders should work together and with publishers on a Political, Economic, Sociological, Technological, Legal, and Environmental (PESTLE) analysis to underpin joint scenario planning about how the transition to OA will proceed over the next 5 years. >> read more

Book metrics. The recording of this session is long but worth while. The recent Altmetric webinar discusses the challenges and opportunities that books present. Metrics for books has raised new questions and has huge potential impacts for the titles that are commissioned, as well as the expectations we have of how those publications will be shared and consumed. The presentations explore a wide range of issues from the perspectives of publishers, authors and institutions. >> read more

New titles:



Open Research

Towards a second generation of 'social media metrics': Characterizing Twitter communities of attention around science. Social media metrics' are new measures of impact related to scholarly activities. Drawing on the overall activity of social media users on Twitter interacting with research objects collected from the Altmetric.com database, from over 1.3 million unique users, accounting for over 14 million tweets to scientific publications, the research identifies four latent dimensions: 'Science Engagement', 'Social Media Capital', 'Social Media Activity' and 'Science Focus'. >> read more

DRAFT NIH Policy for Data Management and Sharing. The Association of Research Libraries (ARL) has provided insightful comments on the new draft policies, expanding the guidance on data sharing to all extramural awards, contracts, intramural research projects, and other funding agreements. >> read more

Altmetric news.

- The 2019 Top 100 features research about the harsh realities of climate.
- A recent study published by eLife that proves the power of open science

Articles in 'predatory' journals receive few or no citations. This article has led to considerable debate - what is a fake journal, what is a fake author, many pieces have to be unpicked. >> read more

Predatory publishing, hijacking of legitimate journals and impersonation of researchers via a special issue announcements: a warning for editors and authors about a new scam. Have you received emails about "special issues" - it's the new scam. Some look remarkably convincing 0 as the article says "the email addresses being used to represent the proposed special issue editors have very slight changes (e.g. insertion of a single letter in the middle of the name, replacement of a full-stop with a dash etc.) indicating that the applicant proposers are actually being impersonated". >> read more

New in the repository

- Electromagnetic Moments of Radioactive Te 136 and the Emergence of Collectivity 2_p a 2 n Outside of Double-Magic Sn 132
- Standing on the Shoulders of Dwarfs: The Kepler Asteroseismic LEGACY Sample. I. Oscillation Mode Parameters
- The Role of Follicular Helper T Cell Molecules and Environmental Influences in Autoantibody Production and Progression to Inflammatory Arthritis in Mice
- Seasonal Variation in the Activity and Dietary Budgets of Cat Ba Langurs (Trachypitecus poliocephalus)
- Type 2 diabetes mellitus, glycaemic control, and cancer risk

Keeping up to date

Library technology company mergers. Marshall Breeding has updated his history of mergers and acquisitions in the library technology industry. It gives a very useful overview of the industry. >> read more

Publishing changes. Taylor & Francis Group, part of Informa plc, has announced the acquisition of cutting-edge open research publisher F1000 Research Ltd. >> read more

Research Libraries as Catalytic Leaders in a Society in Constant Flux. This report summarises the 2019 ARL-CNI Fall Forum. It covers presentations by the keynote speaker and panelists, against four themes: * Libraries as strategic institutions in societal flux * Emerging opportunities for research libraries as collaborative partners in the changing research and learning ecosystem * New forms of reality to advance research integrity and learning * Next generation organizations, skills, and competencies needed for research libraries. >> read more

College & Research Libraries. The January 2020 issue is out now. It includes: * Kay Downey and Yin Zhang. "A Cross-Institutional Study of eBook Demand-Driven Acquisition (DDA) Use and Efficacy of Eight Large Academic Libraries." * Ada Ducas, Nicole Michaud-Ostryk, and Marie Speare. "Reinventing Ourselves: New and Emerging Roles of Academic Librarians in Canadian Research-Intensive Universities." * Janice Y. Kung, K-Lee Fraser, and Dee Winn. "Diversity Initiatives to Recruit and Retain Academic Librarians: A Systematic Review."

College & Research Libraries news. The January 2020 issue is out now. It includes: * Allison Langham-Putrow and Sunshine J. Carter. "Subscribe to Open: Modeling an open access transformation." * Katy Kavanagh Webb. "Curriculum mapping in academic libraries revisited: Taking an evidence-based approach."

ALIA Disaster management publications. Part One - Guide 2nd edition 2019 Part Two - Disaster Plan Template 2019

Artificial Intelligence: Impacts and Roles for Libraries. Discusses the evolution of artificial intelligence and potential impacts on libraries including opportunities for libraries to support AI education and research. >> read more

Perceptions and beliefs of academic librarians in Germany and the USA: a comparative study. Kramer and Horstmann provide some new perspectives in this article in LIBER Quarterly. >> read more

Library buildings. A Tale of Two Hayden Libraries (ASU and MIT). New Property for Deschutes, and a Multiyear Project Launch in Cincinnati | Branching Out - from Library Journal. Arizona State University's (ASU) Hayden Library has reopened in time for the first day of the spring semester. The \$90 million renovation was designed by Ayers Saint Gross Architect. >> read more

IFLA Journal. Volume 45, No. 4 (December 2019) is now online. It includes: * Can journals overcome bias and make the peer review process more inclusive? By Steven W. Witt * An examination of IFLA and Data Science Association ethical codes by Cheryl Trepanier, Ali Shiri and Toni Same. >> read more

IFLA Trend report. IFLA has published the 2019 Update of its Trend Report. As the latest in a series looking at the key issues and developments that shape the world in which we operate, it offers a basis for reflection and long-term thinking in the field. This year's Update is based on the nine interventions made during the President's Session at the 2019 World Library and Information Congress, which brought together professionals from around the world. The chapters address three broader trends: * We face increasing uncertainty in our environment, demanding new ways of working within our field and with government, but also a growing demand for information. * We understand better than ever before the need to take holistic approaches to deal with growing complexity in the decisions that both governments and individuals take. * We have new possibilities to work at scale, offering both new possibilities for the library field, but also a need to focus advocacy and engagement efforts at new levels. >> read more