



Helena Zobec's retirement from the Australian Catholic University (ACU)

News

Yumma Darruwa Ngunnawal

Welcome to Nugnawal country.

Warranandiwang is our word of the fortnight. It means 'farther away than Wnirrsanagnddha', which you may recall means a little way off.

As we head towards the end of the year it does seem to be coming closer, with a focus on the many activities we are planning to complete and also a sense of needing a good break.

I encourage you to reflect on the wonderful achievements everyone has contributed to and also plan some leave in the coming months.

COVID-19 news

ACT pathway forward

The [ACT Government's pathway forward](#) has offered a well thought through approach to recovery.

Restrictions changed from 12 November in the ACT. The [ACT Government Summary of Restrictions webpage](#) is very helpful and includes advice on facemasks, social gatherings, higher education and schools, cultural facilities and more. For libraries it states:

- 25 people across the venue before density limits apply (excluding staff).
- If Libraries wish to have more than 25 people, they can apply:
 - one person per 2 square metres per usable indoor space (excluding staff), and
 - no density limits apply to outdoor spaces.

ANU Press and open access

Open Access Australasia

The [October/November newsletter](#) is now up – it includes reports of activities for Open Access week; a summary of what's new in OA & scholarly publishing in Australia, New Zealand and overseas; upcoming events; and more.

Chief Scientist on OA

Article by Cathy Foley in [Australian Quarterly](#) – *Unlocking the Academic Library: Open Access* (page 5 of the PDF).

Making Australian research free for everyone to read sounds ideal. But the Chief Scientist's open-access plan isn't risk-free

This [article in The Conversation](#) raises many important issues.

New releases from ANU Press

[The Genesis of a Policy](#)

ANU situation

The latest information is on the [ANU COVID-10 advice website](#). Some key points include:

- Please remember to isolate and get tested if you feel unwell.
- Alert the COVID Response Office through [this online form](#) if you are:
 - a suspected or confirmed case of COVID-19
 - identified as a close, secondary or casual contact
 - notified of a requirement to quarantine or stay-at-home.

Campus Alert Level

Our current [COVID-19 Campus Alert Level](#) at ANU is now AMBER - MEDIUM.

Assisting our community

Thanks to everyone who has assisted in updating signs and furniture moving (dang those students with an urge to move furniture!)

SIS End of Year Event



Save the date!

Our SIS End of Year event will be held on Thursday 9 December from 12.30 to 2pm.

More details coming soon!

Helena Zobec retires

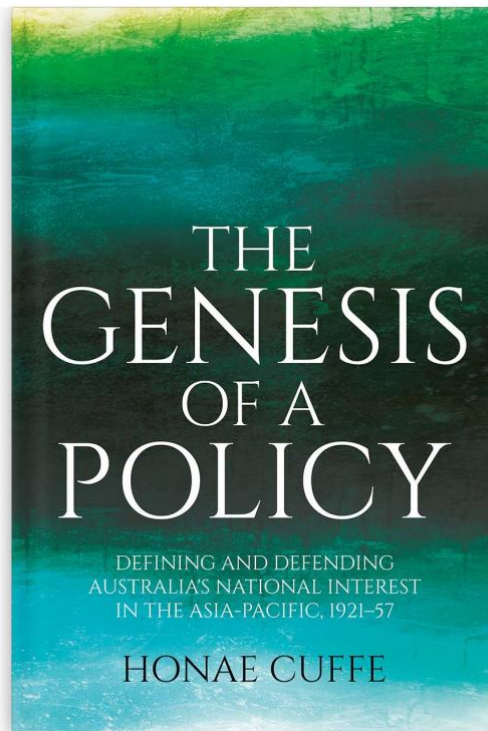
The lovely Helena Zobec, who was for many years the Chifley Library Branch Manager, has now officially retired.

Her farewell function was held at ACU last Friday. Helena contributed enormously in her roles at the NLA, CIT, ANU and ACU – always taking a very caring approach to both students and staff. She made a great contribution here, ensuring always that the changes at ANU were addressed thoughtfully and carefully to make the Library a caring organisation.

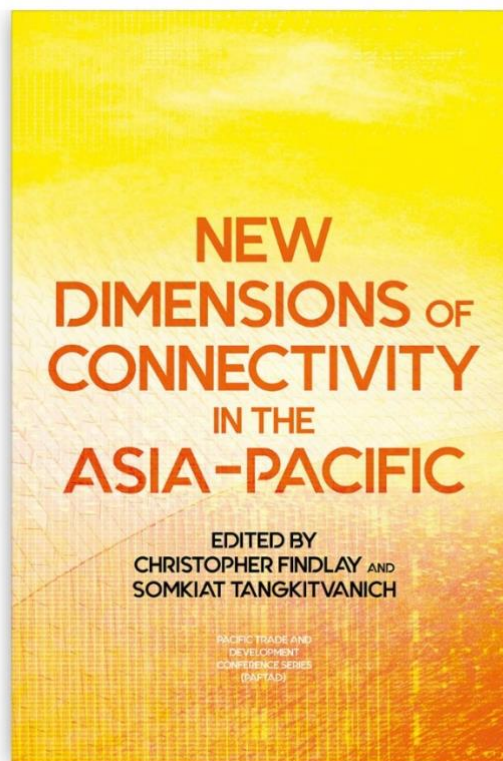
We wish Helena, Richard and family a wonderful time in the next stage of their lives.

We are back and students are loving it!

Thanks to Brian Kenady for the following information about the first week back on campus after lockdown. We had over 8,000 patrons through our doors!



[New Dimensions of Connectivity in the Asia-Pacific](#)



Open repository

New research resources

- [New development: Parliamentary 'watchdogs' taking a higher profile on government programme performance and accountability?](#)
- [New insights into the origin of hysteresis behavior in perovskite solar cells](#)

	Tue 2 Nov	Wed 3 Nov	Thu 4 Nov	Fri 5 Nov (to 3pm)	Total
Chifley	1,118	1,943	1,288	832	5,181
Hancock	451	488	438	240	1,617
Law	202	283	138	45	668
Menzies	239	141	107	83	570
Total	2,010	2,855	1,971	1,200	8,036

Rebuilding the JB Chifley collection

Thanks to Luciana and the team for all the work rebuilding, and in fact, significantly enhancing the collection. The latest newsletter is [here](#).

Significant recent acquisitions include:

- British Labour Party Papers, 1906-1969
- Trade Unionist, Electoral Reformist and Politician: George Howell, 1833-1910
- Independent Labour Party Records, 1893-1960
- House of Commons Parliamentary Papers - 19th Century
- House of Lords Parliamentary Papers, 1800-1910
- Public Petitions to Parliament 1833-1918
- Oxford University Studies in the Enlightenment Online
- Supplementum Epigraphicum Graecum Online
- Alexander Street's Theatre in Video series - Volume I and Volume II
- 298 dissertations and theses from universities around the world.

Trove researcher platform

The revised project plan for [Developing a Trove researcher platform for advanced research](#), an ARDC funded project, is now available, along with a [video](#) presenting the plan.

It is in the feedback stage with that occurring via the submission form at the bottom of the [Trove research platform project plan webpage](#). Feedback from SIS and other groups at ANU is being provided.

Thanks to F&S

The Facilities and Services Division (F&S) have done an extensive clean of Hume. Many thanks to Matthew and the team!

- [New insights into the covariation of stomatal, mesophyll and hydraulic conductances from optimization models incorporating nonstomatal limitations to photosynthesis](#)
- ["Necessary Self-Defence?": Pastoral Control and Ngarrindjeri Resistance at Waltowa Wetland, South Australia](#)
- [Near-identical star formation rate densities from H \$\alpha\$ and FUV at redshift zero](#)

Keeping up to date

Computer vision and automation for CSIRO National Research Collections

The recording of this event held by the Australia and New Zealand chapter of Artificial Intelligence for Libraries, Archives, and Museums (AI4LAM) is now [online](#).

The presentations were terrific – I encourage you to watch it. The group also has a [AI4LAM Google group](#) and [Slack space](#) (#aunz-chapter channel for those in the region).

Pandemic Disruptor: Canadian Perspectives on how COVID-19 is Changing Open Access

In two parts ([Part 1](#) and [Part 2](#)) Leigh-Ann Butler, Shannon Cobb and Michael Donaldson look at issues including barriers, preprints, financial impacts and discovery, infrastructure, and metadata.

Parliamentary report on the Cultural Industries

The report of the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Communications and the Arts [Sculpting a national cultural plan: igniting a post-COVID economy for the arts](#) has generated much public comment.

Among the recommendations:

- The Committee notes that the Public Lending Right and Educational Lending Right (PLR/ELR) each attract a single payment and recommends that the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Communications undertake a review of the PLR/ELR programs to ensure that authors are being appropriately compensated for income lost through free multiple use of their books in public and educational lending libraries.
- The Committee recommends that there be a minimum threshold of Australian-authored literary texts in the Australian Curriculum.



Buildings

THANKS to F&S for coming to help with the leaks in the Archives reading room and J.B. Chifley Library.

Unfortunately, mould was found on more books that had to be destroyed.

And the good news! Kel has advised that a contractor has been appointed to replace all hail damaged works (except University House) following a Request for Tender (RFT) process. The libraries are on the priority list, and work should commence in early 2022.

Copyright

Views from Library Leadership – this [recorded session](#) is from a Mellon-supported Licensing Privacy [project](#), which covers the project's newest tool, the Vendor Contract and Policy Rubric.

CAUL & CONZUL

The [Open Research Toolkit](#) has been launched.

The Open Research Working Group included Siân Woolcock (UniSA) who co-chaired the working group on behalf of CAUL, with Jason White and Alison Matthews (CSU) on behalf of ARMS. Kate Davis produced the web-based toolkit.

ANU Annual archives lecture

Records and Recollections: the pneumonic influenza pandemic in Australia, 1918-1919 by Dr Anthea Hyslop was a great event. The [recording is now online](#), as well as [written responses to the questions posed in the webinar](#).

Feedback from our clients

I would like to compliment the ANU Library staff on three counts:

1. *The streamlined working of the click and collect operation.*
2. *The equally efficient 'ArticleReach' system.*
3. *The attentiveness of staff to requests.*

These aspects are very much appreciated.

- The Committee recommends that the Commonwealth Government consider working with tertiary education providers to develop a program of internships and cadetships which would see students and young people work in regional, small and/or community-focussed galleries, libraries, archives and museums.

Expect to see advocacy from a number of groups including the APA.

LIBER Knowledge Rights 21

Take a look at the new [Knowledge Rights 21 \(KR21\) project website](#). A range of news stories have recently been [published on the website](#).

[Read more about the project](#) on the LIBER website.

Lecture – Peter Yu: Looking forward looking back

Peter Yu's 2021 Order of Australia lecture, held on Thursday 4 November is now available to [watch on the ANU TV YouTube channel](#).

Privacy

- New Zealand's Privacy Commissioner released a [paper on biometric regulation](#).
- Australia's Privacy Commissioner [finds against the use of facial recognition by 7-Eleven](#) and that [Clearview AI's facial recognition tool breached Australians' privacy](#).

Pop journal. Engaging Open Social Scholarship

Issue #3 [Engaging Open Social Scholarship](#) is out now. It includes proceedings from two aligned conferences:

- Implementing New Knowledge Environments (INKE) Partnership
- Canadian-Australian Partnership for Open Scholarship (CAPOS)

Articles include:

- [Building Virtual Community Through Digital Scholarship Meetups](#) (Rachel Starry, Krystal Boehlert)
- [From Orality to Open: Innovations in Multimedia Monograph Publishing in the Humanities](#) (Mark Turin)
- [Persistent Identifiers as Open Research Infrastructure to Reduce Administrative Burden](#) (Lisa Goddard)
- [Supporting Positive Collaboration in Digital Online Projects](#) (Luis Meneses, Lynne Siemens, Ray Siemens, William R Bowen)



Roxanne Missingham
 Director, Scholarly Information Services

Coming events

10th International Summit of the Book

When? 9 - 10 December 2021
Where? Online
More details: [Register here](#)

NISO Plus Global Conversations: Global Connections

When? February 15-17, 2022
Where? Online
More details: [More details here](#)

ALIA National conference

When? 16 - 19 May 2022
Where? National Convention Centre Canberra
More details: This conference provides opportunities to become strong as professionals and as an industry with engaging programs and a forum to collaborate, network and build partnerships amongst our colleagues, peers, industry leaders and corporate partners. [More details here.](#)

87th IFLA World Library and Information Congress

When? 26-29 July 2022
Where? Dublin, Ireland
More details: [More details here](#)

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Dear Colleagues

- [Political Economy and Diplomats of Open Social Scholarship](#) (Shawn Martin)
- [A Call to Develop Standards for those Delivering 'Research Practice' Training](#) (Danny Kingsley)
- [Beyond The Grey Zone: Organization Research Publishing and Bibliodiversity in the Research Communication System](#) (Amanda Lawrence)
- [Digital Theses: A Revolution Through the Lens of Boadicea](#) (Roxanne Missingham)

SPARC paper on journal cancellations

The Journal Cancellation Impact Working Group of the *Scholarly Publishing and Academic Resources Coalition* (SPARC) Negotiation Community of Practice has just released a [resource to support libraries in providing alternative means of access](#) when cancelling journals or walking away from a Big Deal.

The resource details strategies for communicating cancellations across campus, implementing new researcher and library workflows to address access changes; ensuring targeted just-in-time document delivery; improving library systems to use free and open content effectively; and evaluating subscriptions and delivery costs.

ALIA Sustainable Development Goals: Stretch Targets for Australian Libraries 2020-2030

I attended the ALIA Sustainable Development Goals Roundtable 2021 and spoke on academic libraries and the SDGs. ALIA's paper [Sustainable Development Goals: Stretch Targets for Australian Libraries 2020-2030](#) is out now.

10 Sustainable Development Goal stretch targets are proposed for libraries in Australia from 2020-2030, following a period of refinement from September 2019.

Targets address literacy; access to knowledge; equitable access; culture and heritage; sustainable communities; contribution to health and wellbeing; diversity and gender equality; lifelong learning; and global citizenship. The report outlines activities and measurements to allow progress to be tracked.

IFLA Journal

The October 2021 International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA) issue is a [Special Issue on Indigenous Librarianship](#) with a number of interesting articles.

The ANU Professional Staff Mentoring Program has been running since the second half of 2020 with three full programs now delivered.

The response from our community has showed a high demand for this kind of development opportunity, with 48 mentoring pairs in the first program, 120 pairs in the second program and 75 pairs in the third program.

Participants in the first two programs gave very positive feedback about their experience and valuable suggestions for improvement which have been incorporated into subsequent programs.

We will shortly be seeking feedback from the third cohort to help us make further improvements.

Expressions of interest recently opened for the next program commencing in February 2022 and we have places available for both mentors and mentees.

Mentors may be professional staff from ANU classification level 6/7 and above in ongoing, fixed-term or continuing contingent funded positions for at least the duration of the mentoring program, in this case until the end of November 2022.

More information about the program and how to apply as a mentor or mentee can be found on the [Professional Staff Mentoring Program](#) web page.

If you have any questions about the program, please contact the HR Culture & Development team at hrd.development@anu.edu.au

Best wishes

Dr Nadine White
Chief People Officer

ARDC

[Minderoo Foundation invests \\$1.2 million to expand Bushfire Data Challenges program](#)

Minderoo Foundation is investing \$1.2 million in phase 1 of the Australian Research Data Commons (ARDC) [Bushfire Data Challenges program](#) to expand the scope of work focusing on modelling fire behaviour.

[EcoCommons to begin testing at national ecological conference](#)

EcoCommons Australia will begin external testing of its new online modelling platform during the 61st annual conference of the [Ecological Society of Australia](#), ESA2021, to be held on 22-26 November 2021.

Digital preservation day

- Digital Preservation Coalition has released [The BitList 2021: The Global List of Digitally Endangered Species](#). This year 'Adobe Flash Animations and Interactive Applets' have joined the small set of digital materials designated the highest classification of *Practically Extinct*.
- CLOCKSS welcomed the Day announcing six new publisher participants – Agrosavia, American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene, Bioscience Research Institute, Chinese University of Hong Kong, OEKOM Verlag, Société Internationale d'Urologie Journal, videos on their new [YouTube channel](#) by speakers including Gaëlle Béquet (ISSN International Centre), Thib Guicherd-Callin (LOCKSS), Helen Hockx-Yu (Notre Dame), Tim Martin (OCLC), Roxanne Missingham (Australian National University), Jeremy Morse (University of Michigan) and Kim Smilay & Alicia Wise and a [JASPER Project update](#).

New Model Library: Pandemic Effects and Library Directions

This [report from OCLC](#) explores how the global library community navigated the early stages of the pandemic, and based on this, are now re-shaping work, collections, and engagement experiences for the future.