



Megan asked – ‘what is the spookiest item in the Archives?’
Lo and behold an axe appeared! Find out more below.

Yumma Darruwa Ngunnawal

Welcome to Ngunnawal country.

This fortnight I encourage you to visit the National Gallery of Australia website to [read about](#) a fabulous work by Dr Matilda House and Paul Girrawah House. The website introduces the sculpture and vision with the following words:

Mulanggari yur-wang (alive and strong) 2021–22 is a major commission for the National Gallery’s Sculpture Garden and precinct by Ngambri-Ngunnawal Elder Dr Matilda House and her son Paul Girrawah House. It forms part of a larger project to create scar trees across the Parliamentary Triangle, an area of land that contains the Australian Federal Parliament and major national cultural institutions, including the National Gallery. The trees assert the sovereignty of Ngambri-Ngunnawal people at the seat of political power in this country and hold the Australian Government to account in speaking the truth. They act as a ‘lasting reminder for our ancestors and families to be acknowledged, respected and honoured on what has always been Ngambri-Ngunnawal Country’

The [artist video](#) is well worth listening to.

ANU Press and open access

CUP expands open access monograph programme

Cambridge University Press has [announced](#) that more than 100 academic monographs are to be included in an expanded open access scheme. They will be part of their [Flip it Open programme](#), which turns conventional publishing models on their head by making academic monographs that sell the most copies available open access.

scite introduces a “new, open system for the automated detection of retractions and other editorial notices in the scholarly ecosystem”

The authors propose that a system could be constructed that detects the existence of editorial notices to papers directly from the metadata of papers, like their titles, to build a comprehensive database of retractions, withdrawals, and other notices that is updated daily and supplements notices we already get from Crossref and Pubmed. [Read more in the preprint.](#)

Exploring the hidden impacts of open access financing mechanisms

The [report](#) on the AAAS survey on scholarly publication experiences & perspectives contains many interesting findings:



ANU COVID-19

A reminder that the ongoing monthly COVID inspections and reporting occur for all buildings we are in. This month's inspections did not identify any issues. If you see supplies are running low of hand sanitiser or masks do let the relevant people know in your building.

[Please continue to read all messages from the University about COVID-19.](#) All updates will be communicated to staff and students via the weekly On Campus email newsletter. Visit the ANU newsroom webpage for all previous [staff](#) and [student](#) editions.

The rules around masks at ANU have changed now.

Here is the [message from the VC](#):

It will continue to be mandatory to wear a mask in classrooms until the end of this semester to ensure our students and teaching staff can confidently continue to come to campus and participate in person.

You must also wear a mask in a clinical setting. Masks are still recommended, and I encourage everyone to be respectful of colleagues, students or visitors who may wish to wear a mask - so keep one with you just in case. We will monitor COVID's progression and will not hesitate to bring back a full mask mandate on campus if we see rises in severe COVID cases within our community.

Please remember to isolate and get tested if you feel unwell.

It's important that you let us know if you test positive for COVID-19. Current ACT Government rules require individuals to let people they have spent time with in the previous two days know if they test positive. By also notifying the University, we can help determine the risk of exposure to your colleagues and students in line with ACT Health Guidelines and, where appropriate, pass this information on to colleagues and students so they can take the necessary steps.

If you test positive to COVID-19, please:

- Register your positive result with ACT Health using this [online form](#), or with the state/territory health authority where you are located.
- Alert the University through this [online form](#).
- Inform your supervisor or course convenor.

- most researchers do not currently budget for publishing costs and many have not yet paid APCs
- most researchers find it difficult to obtain funds for APCs
- most researchers are using grant funds to pay APCs.

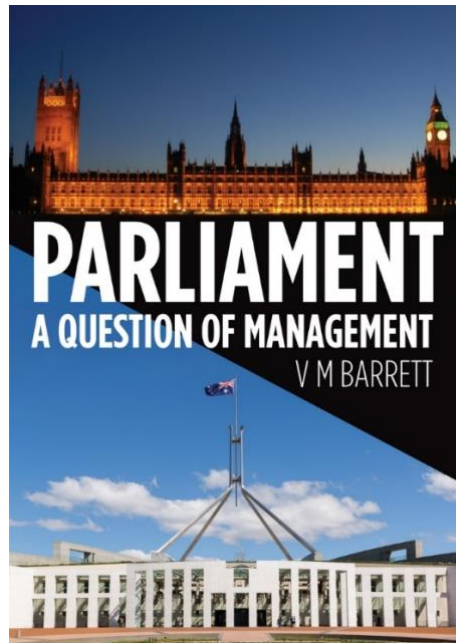
New thesis on OA Publishing

Jessica Thiel (QUT) in her [PhD thesis](#) looks at OA text books. She covers the classic arguments, although it is odd that OA textbooks published by ANU Press and Sydney University Press are not mentioned. There is only one Australian case study - La Trobe - which has published a notably small number of titles.

New title from ANU Press

[Parliament: A Question of Management](#)

Congratulations to Val on her first book!



Open repository

Open Access Week

From AOASG: to complement the [events section](#) of the OA Week website, our [kickoff post](#) for the week also includes a selection of live webcast events that can be attended from anywhere as well as theme-related actions that you can take, such as supporting the [#SemanticClimate campaign](#) or using the action kits produced by the [Open Climate Campaign](#).

Supporting multilingual and non-English content in repositories

In August 2022, COAR launched the [COAR Task Force on Supporting Multilingualism and non-English Content in Repositories](#) to develop and promote good practices for repositories in managing multilingual and non-English content.

Spooky archives

Thanks to Megan Easton, Sarah Lethbridge, and others in the Archives for finding the spookiest item in the collection for Halloween. You can view the axe in Megan's office.

Thanks to Sarah for providing the following information:

This ceremonial axe is from the Manchester Unity Independent Order of Oddfellows (MUIOOF), a fraternal organisation or friendly society formed in the Britain and active in Australia from 1840. Friendly Societies formed Lodges in suburbs and towns and supported members by funding medical care, funerals and social activities for them and their families.

When people think of fraternal organisations, they often think of the Freemasons who have a reputation for secret, complicated ceremonies. Friendly Societies such as Manchester Unity were generally more open, but members had to swear an oath of loyalty to their Lodge and its members. We don't know precisely how this axe was used in Lodge ceremonies and we're afraid that if the owners told us they would then have to kill us.

Upcoming lunchtime talks

SIS staff talks



Interested in hearing about the latest developments in best practice in libraries and universities? Come along to this series of lunchtime talks in the Graneeck room at Chifley (and on Zoom).

Staff will be reporting back on some of the highlights and key points from the ALIA LARK symposium and CAUL Enabling a Modern Curriculum Online conference. We hope to inspire and inform some great conversations about the future of our practice.

- **"Applied research in libraries"**
Thursday 17 Nov 12-1pm
- **"Enabling staff through professional learning and collaborative involvement in transformational change"**
Thursday 24 November 12-1pm
- **"Learning design & teaching research skills"**
Thursday 1 December 12-1pm

[Please register for any sessions you would like to attend.](#)

DVC appointment

Congratulations to Professor Sally Wheeler on her appointment to the role of Deputy Vice-Chancellor (International and Corporate) for the next 3 years.

The task force is focusing on identifying good practices for metadata, multilingual keywords, user interfaces, translations, formats, licenses, and indexing that will improve the visibility of multilingual and non-English content across the world.

The COAR Task Force has announced its initial recommendation towards improving the discovery of repository content in a variety of languages - "all records in the repository should include a tag in the language metadata field that identifies the language of the resource, and a tag that identifies the language of the metadata".

New research resources

- [Impact of social media and screen-use on young people's health - Government response \(2019\)](#)
- [Impact of social media and screen-use on young people's health \(2019\)](#)
- [Government Response to the Digital, Culture, Media and Sport Select Committee Report on Immersive and Addictive Technologies \(2020\)](#)
- [Immersive and addictive technologies \(2019\)](#)
- [Regulation for the Fourth Industrial Revolution \(2019\)](#)

Keeping up to date

Lessons learnt from re-evaluating big deals with Unsub

Scott Chamberlain [proposes](#) that evaluation of deals should be based on four factors:

1. Open Access
2. Interlibrary loan (ILL)
3. Post-termination access (PTA)
4. Cost per use (CPU).

An AI toolkit for libraries

Scott says in his abstract for the [article](#):

"There is a need for a set of skills for evaluating new tools and measuring existing ones, which should enable anyone commissioning or managing AI utilities to understand what questions to ask, what parameters to measure and possible pitfalls to avoid when introducing a new utility. The skills required are not technical. Potential problems include bias in the corpus, a poor training set or poor use of metrics for evaluation. This article gives a quick overview of some of areas where AI tools are being used and how they work. It then provides a checklist for assessment."

Does not add a lit to the field.

New on the website

- [Digitisation update](#)
- [Privacy Impact Assessments 1 November register](#)

2023 – statistics for Q3

A year of challenge and change. The report is on the [intranet](#) and key statistics are summarised below:

ANU Library	Jan - Sep 2022	Jan - Sep 2021
Print collection		
Flood replacement new items	48,642	39,165
Number of print resources borrowed	46,727	70,195
E-Resources		
Number of uses (downloads/searches)	4,683,753	5,387,883
Reference enquiries		
Number of enquiries	17,239	14,377
Total number of visitors to buildings	572,324	447,667
Archives		
Collection use - Physical	16,104	14,350
Archives enquiries	934	829
Records		
New Documents Manual	57,667	69,119
New Documents Auto	179,642	143,915
Use of records (Document Views)	41,792	39,512
Document Searches	80,787	159,442
ANU Press		
Number of titles published	34	19
Usage Downloads	2,627,350	2,039,792
Open research		
No. of works digitised	10,855	2,961
Collection size (Research collection in repository)	135,582	110,491
Usage (Downloads)	2,312,560	1,269,938
CartoGIS		

ALIA CEO - At the table with Minister Tony Burke

ALIA CEO Cathie Warburton attended a dinner with representatives from 19 other non-profit arts organisations to discuss the Government's new National Cultural Policy with Minister Tony Burke. [Read more here.](#)

A survey of students as partners in Australian university libraries

This article by Mollie Dollinger, Fiona Salisbury and Kate Davis is topical. The framework that is used is somewhat limited. It fails to situate library approaches to students as partners within a university framework and the approach is about transactional activities that are add-ons and short term rather than holistically rethinking and making new approaches business as usual. I think there is more to be done to unpack both concepts and sustainable practice in this area.

IFLA ARL webinar on SDGS

The recording and presentations from this webinar will be out shortly.

Presenters were:

- Dr Najmeh Shaghaei (University of Southern Denmark)
- Roxanne Missingham (Australian National University)

The Facilitator was:

- Dr Bertil Dorch (University of Southern Denmark)

I was thrilled to be part of this event.



World Preservation Day

A host of events and ideas are available on the website! [Read more here.](#)



College & Research Libraries

The November 2022 issue of *College & Research Libraries News* (C&RL News) is out [now](#). Articles include:

- [Library outreach to Living Learning Communities: A case study.](#) (Sara McCaslin, Katherine Howell, and Laura DeLancey)

Consultations and Visualisations	125	0
Training - number of people attending courses	119	0
Research and Information Skills		
Number of Attendees	4,415	4,455
Number of Sessions	236	301
One to one consultation	337	Not collected
ACDC		
Number of students attending training courses	9,396	Not collected
Number of training sessions	411	Not collected
One to one consultation	2,000	Not collected

- [Collaborative synergy: Building an energy geography resource hub](#). (Anna Hulseberg and Tiffany Grobelski)

Documents supporting democracy

The Internet Archive has launched *Democracy's Library*, a free online library of 500,000 documents supporting democracy.

Colin Marshall [writes](#):

“Democracy and its workings have been objects of fascination the world over. So have its central questions, not least the one of just how to maintain the informed citizenry on which its operation supposedly depends. The Internet Archive has just launched its own kind of answer in the form of Democracy’s Library, a free, open, online compendium of government research and publications from around the world. Collected from a variety of governmental bodies like the United States’ National Agricultural Library, Foreign Broadcast Information Service, and National Institute of Standards and Technology Research Library—as well as Statistics Canada and Public Accounts of Canada—its materials were ostensibly produced for the public but haven’t always been easy to find. In total, there are more than 500,000 documents in the collection.”

Spring rain

Some leaks have occurred in Underhill and Chifley. Picture from Underhill below.



There is some mould in the middle stairwell in the tunnel in Underhill. Thanks to Archives staff and F&S for taking actions including mopping up, and placing fans and flood sacks.

Academic Quality Assurance Committee

At its last meeting for the year issues discussed included:

- Annual report to Academic Board.
- Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse Working Party Report.
- Failure Rates of 1000-level Courses Analysis Sem 1 2022.
- CRS and CRN Grades Analysis Report Sem 1 & 2 2021.

Sydney Stock Exchange digital project

The WA Economic History Summit features a paper based on the data made accessible via the Sydney Stock Exchange project with Tim Sherratt. It is Grant Fleming, Zhangxin (Frank) Liu, David Merrett and Simon Ville “Trading activity and sentiment on the Sydney Stock Exchange 1901-1950”

Abstract – We use handwritten daily stock and share lists from the Sydney Stock Exchange (SSX) to examine the relationship between media sentiment, trading volume and key economic and geopolitical events between 1901 and 1950. The data is collected using Amazon Textract and algorithms developed by Sherratt (2022) for the ANU SSX digitisation project, converting handwritten records of buy, sell and sales prices into machine readable text. We construct daily and monthly media sentiment, trading volume and order imbalance variables to provide the first quantitative analysis of the relationship between media sentiment and trading activity on a major Australian stock exchange in the first half of the twentieth century. We measure trading volume as the number of securities that had sales over the total number of tradeable securities on a given day, given that the SSX did not track turnover (the number or value of shares traded) at that time. Order imbalance is calculated as the number of securities that had a bid price over those with an offer price. Our findings are fourfold. First, we find that media sentiment plays a key role in explaining the dynamics of trading activity, with positive tone resulting in higher trading volume

- CBE PG Admission Pathway Agreement with Xiamen University, China.
- CBE UG Admission Pathway Agreement with Shanghai University, China.
- Academic Calendar 2023, 2024, 2025 and 2026 Update.
- Academic Programs and Courses Accreditation Policy and Procedure.
- Standards for Foundation Programs and English Language Programs.
- Post Entry Language Assessment Implementation.
- Forced Offers Made Under the Coursework Awards Rule15(4) Procedure.
- Case for English Language Equivalency Procedure.
- Advanced Minor Design Specifications.
- Underage Student Management Policy and Procedure.
- New and changes to undergraduate and graduate awards.

University Research Committee

Another packed agenda which included:

- University Management of Foreign Interference.
- Research Partnerships - Public Statement.
- Centres and Institutes Policy and Procedure.
- HDR Program Reviews 2022.
- HDR Program changes.
- National Centre for Health Workforce Studies.
- iDMaterials Institute.

CECS changes its name

The College of Engineering and Computer Science (CECS) is now the College of Engineering, Computing and Cybernetics (CECC).

Commonwealth budget

The budget brought more university places. Read ALIA's summary [here](#) and Universities Australia's statement [here](#).

2023-2024 Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP)

University-wide consultation have commenced on the draft plan. Feedback channels are open and will close **18 November**. Staff and students can either send anonymous feedback through an online feedback form or send confidential responses to Equity and Belonging via belonging@anu.edu.au. Information regarding the feedback channels, together with the draft plan for review, can be found [here](#).

Hail remediation

Updates on the Chifley roof repairs are [uploaded to our website](#) regularly.

and higher order imbalance. Second, we show that the relationship between media sentiment and trading volume holds despite there being significantly lower trading in three major geopolitical episodes; namely, World War I, the 1929 Wall Street Crash and World War II. Third, we find that sellers withdrew from the market during World War I and World War II as opposed to seeking liquidity amid geopolitical uncertainty. By contrast, sellers increased in proportion to buyers during the 1929 Wall Street crash and its aftermath. Last, we confirm existing literature in behavioural finance that investors tend to trade less (more) before (after) scheduled public holidays. This implies that higher trading volume may be associated with more information exchange during public holidays. The relationship between media sentiment and trading volume remains despite the public holiday anomaly

Coming events

ALIA RAILS (Research Applications, Information and Library Studies) conference

When? 29-30 November 2022

Where? Online

More details: Registration is free and it is online – great speakers including Carol Tenopir. More information can be found [here](#).

ALIA Information Online 2023

When? 17-18 May 2023

Where? Online

More details: the conference theme is *Shaping the Future World*. It will challenge us to look at technology and information in new ways. [Visit ALIA's website for more information](#).

Open Repositories 2023

When? 12-15 June 2023

Where? Stellenbosch, South Africa

More details: The theme for the conference will be *Repositories unlocked for machine and humankind*. [Click here for more information](#).

From HR

The HR website includes some great information on [Wellbeing](#). Including the latest (Spring 2022) Health & Wellness bulletin.

Call for mentors and mentees

The ANU Professional Staff Mentoring Program has been running since 2020. The response and engagement from professional staff during that time has showed a high demand for this kind of development opportunity, with 313 mentor and mentee pairs participating in the program over the last four programs.

Feedback



Thanks to Woroni for their [video](#) on ANU libraries which points out many features of the libraries and identifies very helpfully some areas where we need to make improvements! We are grateful for the feedback and promise to work on issues.



Australian National University



Australian National University Busy revising for exams? The quiet of the library is perfect for when you need to focus, as these photographs from the @anuarchives show.

Remember, Chifley, Hancock, Law and the Art and Music libraries are all open 24/7 - ideal for early birds and night owls alike!

#OurANU

Participants have given very positive feedback about their experience and valuable suggestions for improvement which have been incorporated into subsequent programs.

Expressions of interest are now open for the next program commencing in February 2023 and we have places available for both mentors and mentees.

Mentors can be professional staff from ANU classification level 6/7 or higher and can be 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 2023.

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 Emily Lawton in our Talent and Capability team via hrd.development@anu.edu.au

Kind regards

Kate Witenden

Chief People Officer

CAUL & CONZUL

[Libraries and Open Publishing Case Studies guide](#) on the CAUL LibGuides platform. It includes a case study on ANU Press.

Copyright

- The UA submission to the Federal Court for the judicial review of the Copyright Tribunal decision has been lodged.
- The Australian Libraries and Archives Copyright Coalition (ALACC) and Australian Digital Alliance (ADA) submission in response to the interim report on stand-alone legislation to protect and commercialise Indigenous Knowledge (2022) has now been lodged.

ARDC

Australian Text Analytics Platform launches

The Australian Text Analytics Platform (ATAP) is an open source platform with tools and training for researchers to analyse, process and explore text. Professor Michael Haugh from the University of Queensland (UQ), who leads ATAP, said, "ATAP aims to enable a wide range of researchers in the humanities and social sciences to engage with large text-based datasets using computational methods. With the support of ARDC and the important contributions of our wonderful partners at UQ, University of Sydney and AARNet, we have developed the technological foundations for this platform and a



ANU Chifley Library - branch tour

was your most popular event this quarter!

Thank you all

Finally thank you so much for your support and sympathy. Bob and I have been deeply touched by your kindness at this time.

Roxanne Missingham
Director, Scholarly Information Services

series of notebooks that aim to make text analytics more accessible.

[Read more](#)

Shaping Research Software

Varvara Efremova shares her best practices for research software engineering.

[Read more](#)

Experts navigate research-industry translation

Read the [recap](#) of the third and final ARDC Leadership forum of 2022, where a panel of academic and industry leaders explored the ins and outs of translating research outcomes to industry in Australia.

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