



# CAVAL NEWSLETTER

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## CAVAL MEMBER'S DAY

The Second Annual CAVAL Member's Day was held May 26<sup>th</sup> this year at the CARM Centre.

There were over 30 participants who attended throughout the day. As well as providing an opportunity for CAVAL Members and Associate Members to meet and discuss current issues in their libraries, the participants enjoyed presentations, workshops and discussions of interest to library professionals.

Similar to last year, committee representatives from each of CAVAL's committees spoke about their achievements and the directions in which their committees are headed in 2006.

This portion of the day is quite popular each year, and is extremely beneficial for any new members and associate members. It provides information on the types of expert committees associated with CAVAL. These committees provide a forum to discuss and share relevant information and skills. Representatives of member libraries are invited to join CAVAL member committees.

Dr. Gillian Hallam, recent President of the Australian Library and Information Association (ALIA), was the featured guest

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**Craig Anderson, Library Director at RMIT University and Chair of the CAVAL Board, welcomes attendees to CAVAL Member's Day 2006.**

speaker for the day. She opened Member's day with her presentation '*We can work it out: workforce planning for the LIS sector*'. This was the most popular and inspiring section of the day and provided the basis for the group discussion held later in the day on library issues into the future.

A new item on the agenda for Member's Day this year was the introduction of three one hour concurrent workshops provided by three of CAVAL's Managers who are experts in their respective fields. Lamis Sukkar, the Cataloguing and Metadata Manager at CAVAL, discussed '*Emerging e-tools for Cataloguing*'. Richard Sayers, the Training Manager, hosted a session on '*Marketing essentials*', while Steve O'Connor, CAVAL Chief Executive Officer, presented information on '*Authoring for professional literature*'.

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The contribution from the guests allowed for a very positive atmosphere at CAVAL Member's Day. For all those who have attended, photo's are available from the CAVAL web-site at [www.caval.edu.au](http://www.caval.edu.au)

If you have any comments or would like any information on this year's Member's Day please contact Jaime McCowan at [jaimem@caval.edu.au](mailto:jaimem@caval.edu.au) or on 03 94505528. Any comments or feedback would be much appreciated.



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# CATALOGUING UPDATE

The month of May 2006 saw increasing activity in all areas of cataloguing and end processing, as libraries are tidying up their financial arrangement for the 2005-2006 financial year.

It seems that the flavour of this year, according to customers' requests, is authority work. CAVAL staff have already completed the cleaning up and checking of authority headings for a government department, and a second job will start in mid June.

On-site jobs have also increased also in the months of May and June as many customers prefer to have their items catalogued on-site.

The successful completion of the above tasks as well as other tasks would not have been achieved in the timeframe allocated without all the hard work and endless efforts by the staff members of the Cataloguing and End processing Department.

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## STRATEGIC PLANNING



**Barbara Patton of La Trobe University, Jill Wilson of Monash University and CAVAL Board Member Ian Wilson of Monash University enjoying a break on CAVAL Strategic Planning Day.**

On May 18<sup>th</sup> CAVAL held its Board Strategic Planning day intended to generate the Strategic Plan for CAVAL from the years 2007 to 2009. Robert McEntyre was engaged as facilitator for the day. The purpose of this one day planning session was to prepare CAVAL for the next transition in its life as a national library cooperative organisation.

Themes discussed on the day included the current state of libraries in Australian, the future of libraries and librarians and the roles and areas in which CAVAL could assist member and customer libraries. The board invited another range of contributions from the Member Organisation top contribute on the day. Attendees included representatives from CAVAL Member Institutions, Associate Member representatives as well as a representative from an independent publishing company. Further stakeholder input was obtained from CAVAL Members, Associate Members, non-member academic institutions and public libraries outside of the session. This input was delivered to attendees on the day and added greatly to discussions.

The outcomes from the CAVAL Board Strategic planning day outlined the opportunities and challenges for libraries in the future and the role of CAVAL in assisting libraries. Potential services and the markets for such services were pinpointed, as well as the risks and benefits of implementing such services. The Strategic Plan is now being developed for Board consideration and then wider dissemination.

## GUY ST CLAIR MASTER CLASSES

CAVAL congratulates Karin Medew, QUT Caboolture Campus (Queensland) and Aaron Tunn, Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre (Victoria) as our two lucky winners of the Guy St Clair Master Class Competition in Library and Information Week 2006.

Karin and Aaron will each receive a free guest place at a Guy St Clair "Knowledge Services Master Class" in September.

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