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CAVAL NEWSLETTER

SHANGHAI INTERNATIONAL LIBRARY FORUM



CAVAL CEO Steve O'Connor is photographed with Dr Wu Jianzhong who is the Director of the Shanghai Library.

The Shanghai Library, which is the largest in China, is organising the Third Shanghai International Library Forum (SILF). The theme for this conference is '*Management innovation and library services*'. The conference will be held in Shanghai on August 17 - 19 2006. SILF is only presented every second year. It will attract speakers from across the globe as well as extensively from the Chinese library community. Steve O'Connor has been invited to deliver one of the two Keynote speeches at the conference. He will speak on '*Unlocking the potential in the future library Manager*'. The other Keynote speech will be given by Ms Claudia Lux who is the IFLA President-Elect 2007-2009.

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(Including New Graduates and those looking for employment.)

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CAVAL GOVERNANCE

The CAVAL members have agreed to very significant changes in October 2005 to reduce the size of the CAVAL Board in order to improve governance and decision-making.

CAVAL, as a result, held its first elections with five directors winning places in a close contest. Those elected are: Craig Anderson, Angela Bridgland, Earle Gow, Lin Martin and Ian Wilson. As elected directors they have invited Dean Mason to join the Board as well.

The changes to the Board reflect the growing status of the company both nationally and internationally. The Board's first task will be formulate a strategic planning process to position CAVAL to serve its members and also to provide highly effective and valuable services to all libraries.

CAVAL COLLABORATIVE SOLUTIONS
 SECOND ANNUAL MEMBERS' DAY 2006
 MAY 26 AT CAVAL - MARK YOUR DIARY!

CATALOGUING HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ In 2005 the CAVAL Cataloguing Department was just shy of earning \$1,000,000 for the financial year!
- ◆ CAVAL's unique cataloguing services are now being used internationally by the Centre for Research Libraries in Chicago, Illinois.
- ◆ Last month CAVAL Chinese Cataloguer Joy Fu (pictured) catalogued the 100,000 unique record in the CAVAL customer service database



CAVAL Cataloguer Joy Fu at VALA2006

CAVAL TRAINING

Research Quality Frameworks, Research Assessments and Scholarly Publishing: Where Are We Heading?

CAVAL is working with Linda Butler and Colin Steele of ANU to present a series of workshops in July entitled "Research Quality Frameworks, Research Assessments and Scholarly Publishing: Where Are We Heading?" The workshops are intended for university senior administrators, policy officers, researchers, publishers and librarians.

Regardless of the outcome of the Australian Government's RQF proposal, CAVAL anticipates that the wider context of research assessment will remain relevant to Australian universities well into the future.

Recognising the significance of the topic, CAVAL members will receive a specially discounted price of \$354.75 (GST inc). CAVAL is also pleased to offer AVCC and CAUL members a discounted price of \$378.40 (GST inc). The workshops are expected to be popular and colleagues are urged to register early at

http://training.caval.edu.au/pdt/show_course.php?CID=182

Workshops are scheduled for delivery in Adelaide, Perth, Sydney, Brisbane and Melbourne.

CAVAL AT VALA2006

CAVAL operated a stand at the recent VALA conference here in Melbourne. It was highly successful with many members, Associate Members and customers making contact with CAVAL staff. The opportunity was used to demonstrate to customers and potential customers the variety of products and services CAVAL has to offer.

VDX CLIC PRACTITIONERS WORKSHOP

Over 20 staff from libraries who use CAVAL's VDX Managed Services gathered at Macquarie University in Sydney on 5th December 2005 for the 2nd VDX CLIC Practitioners Workshop. Attendees came from all CLIC Sites (La Trobe University, Macquarie University, RMIT, the University of Newcastle, Victoria University and CARM), the State Library of New South Wales and CAVAL. The workshop focused on practical issues relating to the use of VDX by inter-lending and document delivery staff, and provided an opportunity for the sharing of work processes and information.

CAVAL TRAINING MARCH-APRIL 2006

Featured courses:

New PLANNING AND MANAGING TECHNOLOGY PROJECTS

Brisbane – Sydney (almost sold out) – Wellington – Canberra – CAVAL

New MANAGING E-JOURNALS

Hobart – CAVAL – Brisbane – Wellington – Auckland – Dunedin – Sydney – Canberra – Perth – Adelaide

New LEGAL RESEARCH FOR INFORMATION PROFESSIONALS

Adelaide – Perth – Townsville – Brisbane – Sydney – Canberra – Melbourne – Darwin

THIS ISSUE'S FEATURED TRAINERS

Colin Steele is Emeritus Fellow of the Australian National University and was previously Director of Scholarly Information Strategies and University Librarian. He is a recognised authority on scholarly communication change and has been an invited keynote speaker on this topic in seven countries.



Linda Butler is the Head of the Research Evaluation and Policy Project at the Research School of Social Sciences at the Australian National University. Linda is acknowledged as a leading figure in researching quantitative measures of research performance and the organisational structure of Australia's research landscape.