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2016 Annual General Meeting

The meeting

The Annual General Meeting of the Australian and New Zealand Society of Indexers will be held on 25 October 2016 at 7.00 pm (AEDST). It will be held by teleconference, hosted at 156 Melwood Avenue, Killarney Heights, NSW.

Documents

The 2015 AGM Draft Minutes, the 2015–2016 Annual Report and the 2015–2016 Treasurer’s Report and 2016–2017 Draft Budget will be available from the ANZSI website before the AGM.

Draft Agenda.

The meeting will be recorded.

Attendance:

1. Minutes
   To approve the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 20 October 2015 via teleconference, hosted at 32a Ross Crescent, Blaxland NSW.

2. Matters arising from the minutes not included elsewhere in the agenda.

3. Annual Report
   To receive and approve the Annual Report on the Society’s activities in 2015–16.

4. Treasurer’s Report
   To receive and approve an audited financial report from the Treasurer on the year 2015–16.
   To approve the draft budget for the year 2016–17.

5. Council for 2016–17
   To receive a report from the Returning Officer on nominations for the following positions and, if necessary, to hold an election:
   President
   Vice-president
   Secretary
   Treasurer
   Five council members

6. Any other business
   Not requiring prior notice
ANZSI Website evaluation

The Australian and New Zealand Society of Indexers (ANZSI) launched a new website in May 2015. One year after launch, we conducted an online survey to determine whether the new site is meeting the needs of members and how we can improve it. We received 36 responses.

Overall, ANZSI members who responded to the survey like the new website. Most of them access it via personal computer (rather than on a tablet or mobile phone). They reported that the site displays well and smoothly on their devices, though a few members said that it was slow to load for them, difficult to navigate on a mobile phone, and that password recognition was problematic.

Public face of the website

Most respondents liked the public face of the new website; however, there were a few who did not like it. Specific comments included:

- It’s a vast improvement over the old site. I really like the design and find the navigation easy to use. I think it presents a much more modern and professional face to the public for ANZSI.
- It’s difficult to navigate and find what you need. Considering this is an indexers’ website, having an A–Z index as a ribbon (or similar) would be a definite plus.
- It’s a bit bland but clear and uncluttered. As it’s easy to see what’s on the page and read it, perhaps the understated look is a bonus.
- It looks quite slick and professional.
- Where is the index to the website? The old one was great. Why hasn’t it been updated?
- I find it easy to use but I wish that it didn’t look so garish and low budget. I would much prefer something along the lines of ASI and SI’s websites.
- I think that the website in general is easy to navigate, and includes useful information.
- It looks clean and modern.
- It is very clean looking and well organised.

Here are the public sections of the website that respondents have visited:

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<td>Indexers Available</td>
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<td>Resources</td>
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<td>Join Us</td>
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Which public sections of the website have you visited?
Membership

The membership or renewal process worked well for almost everyone who responded. The majority renewed their membership through the website after receiving an email reminder. Suggested improvements included sending out more than one reminder about renewal and adding a page specifically for renewals, rather than just a general membership page.

We received a few comments about the timing of membership renewal, which will be forwarded to ANZSI Council for consideration:

Membership renewals need to be sent out in late May/early June to encourage members to pay in the current financial year. In this way ANZSI gets access to the funds earlier.

I wasn’t able to renew before end of June, so unable to claim on tax for that year. No incentive to renew promptly.

I am disappointed that, due to ANZSI’s change in last year’s renewal process, ANZSI membership couldn’t be claimed in the tax return for 2014/15 because the date for renewal moved from June 30th to July 1st for invoicing. ATO requires invoice renewal date to be within 12 month taxation period.

Member area

Most had logged into the member area of the website and found it easy to use. There were a few who had not logged in or who were unaware that there is a member area. Specific suggestions for improvement of this section were to add a log out button on each page and to reconsider labels for various sections. For example,

I thought 'Your indexing business' meant Profile/Account for a business membership. It could be better worded 'Running an indexing business'.

It was difficult to navigate. To find Council minutes, you just have to know these are under Official documents.

Here are the sections of the member area that are visited the most:
Indexers Available

Seventy per cent of respondents had a listing on Indexers Available and 79% of respondents liked the format of this section. ANZSI members have many opinions about how Indexers Available should be presented, and we asked several very specific questions in order to clear up a few points of contention.

There were many comments on how other indexers had filled out their profiles, such as:

*No uniformity in how members have completed entries, such as items indexed.*

*The mandatory sections need to be tightened up as some members' entries include irrelevant information. Limit the number of items in the specific skills category. The example page given shows 40 subject disciplines. No indexer can have expertise in so many fields. This field should be limited to a maximum of 20.*

*Far too much information! This is promotion for indexing job not a CV for everything you have done. Provide guidance to members so information is entered consistently.*
Profiles should include positions held and experience on various committees/Council, etc.

Some of the photos on profiles look amateurish.

I would like to know how to format the publications I list so that they are clearer to read (use of bold, italics, hyperlinks, etc.).

These are all interesting points and raise the question of whether we should control how members complete their entries and provide them with specific guidance. We will refer these suggestions to ANZSI Council to decide, as a policy would need to be written and enforced.

There were a few comments on the search function in Indexers Available. Unfortunately, our simple search function does not work like Google, it is free text search only, which means that it will search for the specific string of characters that you enter in the box. For example, if you have entered the term *medical* in your profile and a user enters the term *medicine* in the search box, they may not find you. This is true for special characters, also, so if you include *Māori* in your profile, and a user enters the term *Maori* in the search box, it won’t pick it up. Please put on your indexing thinking cap when writing your profile entry and include terms that you think a client might search on. Play with the search, see when your profile turns up! Hopefully, clients will consider using the Advanced Search feature, which will allow them to apply our subject, format, and other filters to return a more consolidated search result.

We have included responses to other comments about Indexers Available that we hope will clear up some confusion:

**Perhaps consider alphabetising the indexers’ profiles.** [NB: The developers of Indexers Available chose NOT to alphabetise profiles so that indexers with surnames at the end of the alphabet would not be disadvantaged. Profiles are thus displayed in random order, with Accredited indexers appearing first.]

**You should be able to include sample links of indexes, photos of indexers, and covers of books indexed, formats for indexing (eg, paper or ebook), and social media links.** [NB: You can include a photo on Indexers Available, there is a Materials and Formats selection that includes ‘Ebooks or Epubs’, there is a section for addition of ‘recent publications indexed’, and you can add your Facebook, LinkedIn, Google+ and Twitter links. It is also possible to add links to books indexed and sample indexes and to add book cover images using simple HTML and URL tags. For instructions on how to add links, see later article in this Newsletter; adding images will feature in a future Newsletter. And, of course, any members having difficulty completing their profile are welcome to contact the Webmaster for assistance.]

**The list of subjects are [sic] an embarrassing hotch patch. You wouldn’t think they were prepared by someone good at indexing.** [NB: We welcome specific suggestions on the subject categories, though we would not implement changes without a formal review. The subject headings were drawn up by the IA Redevelopment Committee incorporating suggestions from members. We suggest looking at the subject categories in use on other indexing societies’ directory pages for comparison, such as the ASI’s Indexer Locator ([http://www.asindexing.org/find-an-indexer/asi-indexer-locator/](http://www.asindexing.org/find-an-indexer/asi-indexer-locator/)) or the Society of Indexer’s Indexers Available directory ([http://www.indexers.org.uk/index.php?id=244](http://www.indexers.org.uk/index.php?id=244)).]

**The whole of IA is so embarrassing amateurish I refuse to be listed on it!** [NB: We're sorry that
you feel that way, and we welcome specific suggestions on how you would improve it.]

*Why list the subjects and formats at right without being able to use them as links to people listed.* [NB: This is a nice suggestion, thank you! We will add this to our list of improvements and see if we can make this work (without breaking the bank)!]

*The Indexers Available section should be more prominent on the home page.* [Good idea! We will think about how to approach this and/or better advertise the section. Please note that the whole IA image on the homepage is a link to the IA page.]

*A publisher I had not worked with before recently rang me and offered me work after seeing my profile on Indexers Available. She said she could see the type and subject areas of books I had indexed previously and that I had worked with a number of publishers, and she was looking for someone with local knowledge and she was pleased to be able to find a local indexer. Well worth the fee!* [NB: Lovely, thank you for the feedback! It’s great to hear that Indexers Available is working well. We are able to use Google Analytics to see who is looking at the website, but we don’t know whether that is generating work for indexers.]

*It is very useful to be able to refer editors, academics, etc who want to find an indexer (other than me).* [NB: We’re glad to hear that you use it for that purpose!]

Other specific design issues that we will be considering, based on your feedback:

*Could the information be displayed in a smaller format to make scrolling down each page and printing out pages from the site easier?*

*Should we use a darker font, such as blue, against a white background?*

*Is there too much white space on the home page?*

*Should we add an A–Z index to the site to complement the site map and search tool?* [NB: We were unable to move the index from the old website over to the new website. We do hope to create one again, but it will be an issue of time and resources to create it.]

*Should the general search find results on Indexers Available pages?*

*Can we make links to articles in Newsletters go to the article directly like they did on the old website?*

*How can improve the search functions on the website generally?*

ANZSI Council will be considering the results of this survey to determine whether to invest additional funds in improving the site and where to focus our efforts. Thank you again to everyone who completed the survey, we appreciate your time and thoughts!

*Mary Coe*  President,

*Kate Jera*  Web Manager, and

*Denise Sutherland*  Publicity and Promotions and former Web Manager
Council update

The latest approved minutes are from the ANZSI Council meetings of 19 July and 23 August 2016. As usual, they are available in the member area of the website.

These meetings were predominantly housekeeping matters. Council discussed progress of membership renewals, website tidying, communications, the Newsletter, accounts management, records management, the John Simkin Medal competition, the website survey and transfer of Web Manager role.

The results of the John Simkin Medal 2016 competition will be announced at the AGM. When I consider the amount of work needed to design the index of any book — making life easier for the reader — any medal recipient or commended indexer must surely have created outstanding work.

Council has the production of the Annual Report and preparations for the Annual General Meeting well underway. We encourage all members to get involved in their Society and attend the AGM teleconference on 25 October at 7.00 pm (AEDST) – easy to do when it is from the comfort of your own home!

Kerry Anderson  ANZSI Council Secretary

International conference report

ICRIS Meeting

Please read Mary Russell’s full report on the ICRIS Meeting. It is available on the ANZSI website in the documents submitted to the Council meeting held 23 August 2016.

What follows is a brief summary of Mary’s paper.

Mary Russell (as Chair) and Glenda Browne (ANZSI representative) attended the informal meeting of the International Committee of Representatives of Indexing Societies (ICRIS) held during the ASI and ISC/SCI Joint Conference in Chicago in June 2016.

Other attendees were Jenny de Wet (ASAIB), Caroline Diepeveen (NIN), Heather Ebbs (ISC/SCI), Maureen MacGlashan (SI and The Indexer), Pilar Wyman (ASI), Sophie Yu (CSIDM); guest: JoAnne Burek (ISC/SCI).

Reports were given from each society discussed membership (most had faced recent declines in numbers), training and mentoring, website use and development, and conferences.

Maureen McGlashan discussed The Indexer: a good year for content, the progress in development of its index affected by limited volunteer time, and consideration of the idea of outsourcing the journal for the same reason. One plan is to look at increased institutional subscribers.

All societies were asked to decide upon inviting the Association of Freelance Editors, Proofreaders and Indexers (Ireland) (AFEPI) to join the International Agreement / ICRIS.

Elisabeth Thomas  Editor
Look us up! Indexers Available

Editors, authors, publishers: save time and money — find someone to make the most of your publication by creating the index!

Indexers Available is a directory compiled by the Society to help editors, publishers and authors find an indexer. The indexers listed are all members of ANZSI and all expect to be available to take commissions. It includes Accredited Indexers, whose competence has been assessed by a committee of the Society, as well as other indexers. Find out more about hiring indexers, as well as the recommended rate for indexing and how indexers quote on indexing jobs.

http://www.anzsi.org/indexers-available/

How to add links to your Indexers Available profile

If you’d like to add links from your IA listing to publisher or book websites, or even links to indexes you’ve written that are available online, it’s a simple matter — really!

Here are the steps to go through:

1. Log in to your account in the Member Area, click on ‘Your Profile and Account’ and then click on the ‘Edit Profile’ button, which is just under your name.

2. Scroll down to the ‘Recent publications indexed’ section, which is near the bottom of the Profile page.
3. Enlarge the text box by clicking and dragging on the lower right hand corner of the text box to a bigger size (it has a few diagonal lines on it, to grab with your mouse). This will make editing the text a lot easier, with more room to work.

4. In your web browser, copy the URL of the page you want to link to. For example, I wanted to link the ANU Press web page for the book I recently indexed: *Engaging the Neighbours: Australia and ASEAN since 1974*.

So, for this example, the URL I’ve copied is: https://press.anu.edu.au/publications/engaging-neighbours

It’s important to include the starting http:// or https:// in the code you copy.

5. The next step is to write a tiny bit of HTML code — don’t worry, it’s not hard!

The code for creating links is done with the ‘a href’ tag (A stands for Anchor, and HREF stands for Hypertext REFerence):

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<a href="http://your-url-goes-here.com.au">Text that will be a link</a>
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Important tips:

- Make sure that you ‘turn off’ or close the link, with the ending </a> tag at the end of the text you want to be the link. If you forget this vital little tag, then all subsequent text will be an active link.

- Don’t put spaces around the equals sign or other components of the tag. The only space is after the ‘a’ in <a href= ...>.

- The URL needs to be inside double quote marks:
  ```html
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So, for my example, my code looks like this:

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6. To display the title of the book in italics, put <i>Title</i> around the title text – <i> turns on italics, and </i> turns italics off (you can also use <em>Title</em> – it stands for ‘emphasised text’, and renders text as italics as well).

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7. Then click on the ‘Update profile’ button at the base of the page to save your edits. Look at your page to see if the link works, and edit further if needs be. Simples!
I’ll explain how to add book cover images in a future article. (Advance hint: If you know about HTML, you basically just need to use the IMG tag, point to the image URL, and resize it in the IMG tag).

Denise Sutherland

The coding... and the result

Indexes behaving badly II

The cobbler’s children [still] have no shoes

I first asked readers in the last ANZSI Newsletter: why are there so many bad indexes in information studies books? Is it a case of the cobbler’s children having no shoes (or in this case, bad shoes)? (Proverbial — a good tradesperson’s skills are applied outside but not in the home). In the interests of helping information scientists, I am offering a second snapshot of a bad index in an information studies book.

Search User Interfaces by Marti A Hearst (New York: Cambridge University Press, 2009) is about “the human users of search engines and the tool they use to interact with it: the search user interface”. The author’s stated purpose is to outline “the human side of the information seeking process” and focus on “the aspects of this process that can best be supported by the user interface”.

Hearst states that “an important quality of a user interface is its usability, a term which refers to those properties of the interface that determine how easy it is to use”. The five components of usability are learnability, efficiency, memorability, errors, and satisfaction. A design technique called user-centred design is employed to produce usable search interfaces. The author offers design guidelines for search interfaces based on this technique. So, how usable was the search interface for this book (the index) and did the concept of user-centred design guide its construction?
Here are the first entries in the index:

- A/B testing. See bucket testing
- abraham lincoln, 110, 114
- abstracts. See summaries
- adaptive filtering, 216, 226
- Adobe Labs, 132
- ads, xv

My first thought when seeing the ‘3D’ entry was that this index was generated by a computer and not created by a human indexer. I decided to look at all of the page numbers listed after 3D. The only substantive discussion of the concept was on pages 278-280 under the heading ‘3D visualisation in search’. The term 3D does occur on other pages, but mostly in names of various products, such as the ‘Data Mountain 3D desktop interface’ on page 170 or a mention of the 3D version of the VIBE display on page 261. Unfortunately, I could not find 3D at all on some of these pages. So, I couldn’t determine whether this index was generated ‘automatically’ but I did find the indexing choices puzzling.

I then wondered why the term ‘abraham lincoln’ is in a different font. There is no headnote to tell why me, so I hunted through the index looking for entries in the same font and following the page numbers to the source text. After a few tries, I figured out that they were terms used in search queries, but the page numbers for these entries were often incorrect, so I had to dig a bit deeper. For example, I couldn’t find anything on pages 110 and 114 for abraham lincoln, although I did see something on page 109. I could not determine why these terms were indexable, however, and, unfortunately, not all of the search terms mentioned in the book were indexed.

I decided to follow the first few cross references to see where they would lead me in the index.

“A/B testing. See bucket testing” takes the reader to the entry “bucket testing, 49-52”.

“abstracts. See summaries” leads to this entry:

“summaries, 8, 16, 120, 122, 123, 126, 128
summary length, 9”

I wondered why the concept of ‘summary length’ was so important as to warrant a subheading here. I found discussion of the concept on pages 122, 123, 126 and 128 as well as on page 9. Again, I was puzzled by the indexing choices made here.

I found it interesting that the Preface to the book was indexed, so I followed the entry for ‘ads’ to page xv. The only section on that page that I thought might have been indexed was this one:

“There are a number of topics related to search that this book does not cover. These include interfaces for database systems, Search Engine Optimization (SEO), the role of advertising in search, spam detection and elimination, and search algorithms.”

There are index entries for ‘database systems’ and ‘search engine optimization’ on page xv, but no entries for ‘spam detection’ or ‘search algorithms’ though, so I am not entirely sure what was going on here either.

So, you get the drift — I think this is a bad index, and I am suspicious about how it was created. I certainly did not find it satisfying or efficient (two of the components of usability noted by the
author). I was able to learn how to use it, but only after some trial and error. In terms of memorability, or the short-term memory load placed on the user, I also found it lacking. Having to follow a long string of page locators requires the user to flip back and forth between text and the index, remember which page they visited most recently, and remember what they read on that page. Should we ask the user to put in that much effort? Will the user do it or give up?

The concept of *errors* in usability focuses on reducing user errors, but the bigger problem with this interface (the index) is the problem of system errors (inaccurate page numbers in entries). Hearst suggests that “small details can make the difference between a successful and a failed design”. While this index did provide page numbers (the design of the system), the implementation of that design would certainly fail a usability test. Another form of error that Hearst identifies is the “vocabulary problem” or the fact that the same idea can be expressed in different ways and with different words. This index addressed this problem by providing cross references, but in many cases it would have been a much more efficient system if those entries had been double posted instead. Why make the user follow a cross reference only to find one span of page numbers?

Should the concepts of user-centred design apply only to online search engines? I would argue that the creators of book indexes should also focus on the user and that book indexers might learn from reading about usability in other contexts. Perhaps, we should even call an index something else, like a ‘book search user interface’?!

*Mary Coe*

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**Groups’ news**

**New South Wales**

ANZSI NSW Indexers met on 11 September 2016 for lunch (delicious as always, thanks folks!) and an afternoon of lively discussion at the home of Glenda Browne and Jon Jermey in the lower Blue Mountains. Five members and three guests attended. We were delighted to welcome Mary Coe’s mother, Bebe Coe, who was visiting from the United States, regular guest Oran ‘Thomas’, and newbie indexer, Jenny Browne.

We follow an informal agenda. First we talk about ANZSI, then we go around the table sharing any interesting news about our indexing and related activities, including ‘tips and tricks’.

Elisabeth Thomas brought nomination forms for new Council members, and some were filled in. We also discussed and liked the idea of paying for a contracted administration assistant to take on some of the routine work of Council, to free up Council executive time to be spent on planning for the future, and to make Council positions less daunting.
We also discussed the idea of an ANZSI seminar proposed for Bowral or the Illawarra region in mid-August 2017. Mary (Coe) and Denise Sutherland have offered to coordinate planning for this event, and will put a proposed budget to Council. We also hope to associate intermediate training (addressing problems seen in registration applications) and possibly introductory training with this seminar.

Michael Wyatt has been appointed as a member of the Working Party to revise ISO 999:1996 (which has been adapted for use as the Australian and New Zealand indexing standard since 1999). Alan Walker will be an observer. The convenor is Janet Shuter, a UK indexer and one-time editor of *The Indexer*. The Working Party is planning to broaden the standard to cover website indexing and other formats, and to combine ISO 999 with another currently separate standard on choosing index terms. Michael also reported on a talk he gave to the NSW Editors; Elisabeth will be publishing it in *Blue Pencil*, and has asked Michael to write a short account of his talk for the *ANZSI Newsletter*. Congratulations also to Michael for gaining IPEd Accreditation ([http://www.iped-editors.org/Accreditation.aspx](http://www.iped-editors.org/Accreditation.aspx)).


Jon mentioned that one client now pays superannuation on indexing fees. The superannuation is noted in the payment offer, and has to be excluded from the invoiced amount.

Elisabeth is reviewing an interesting book on Q&As from the Chicago Manual of Style. She also brought along *Bhagavad Gita — As It Is* (‘kindly’ left at her work library, in the architecture section?!) — the index of which makes up a fifth of the book. One striking entry was:

> Atheist(s)...
> See also: Demon(s)

Mary Coe will be talking about her PhD research into index use at the symposium on the book index to be held in Oxford next year ([https://indexhistory.wordpress.com/2016/07/22/the-book-index-a-two-day-symposium](https://indexhistory.wordpress.com/2016/07/22/the-book-index-a-two-day-symposium)).

Glenda presented a slide show with photos of libraries visited during her US trip, including the indexing section at the National Library of Medicine, and of Twin Oaks intentional community and its Indexing Collective. She also handed out kohlrabi temporary tattoos — souvenirs from the ASI/ISC conference.

*Glenda Browne*

* for those who did not know, Elisabeth, editor of this esteemed missive, also works, on the other side of the fence, as the editor of *Blue Pencil*, the newsletter of Editors NSW (a branch of IPEd).
Lunch attendees, left to right: Michael Wyatt, Oran ‘Thomas’, Madeleine Davis, Jon Jerney, Jenny Browne, Bebe Coe, Mary Coe, Glenda Browne. Behind the camera[phone]: Elisabeth Thomas.

What’s in The Indexer?

The September issue of The Indexer is now available on Ingenta and will appear on Lulu soon. Some of the articles in this issue:

- Dealing with ransomware *Gale Rhoades*
- The enthusiast as indexer *Kate Faulkner*
UK Symposium in 2017 — call for papers

Indexing symposium Oxford, June 2017

I thought colleagues would want to know about the indexing symposium, organized by Dennis Duncan (who is writing a history of the index and indexing) to be held in Balliol College, Oxford, 22–23 June 2017.

Keynote speakers include Professor Ann Blair (Harvard) (author of Too much to know) and Professor Emily Steiner (UPenn). Ideas for the programme look really exciting. You can find more about it at https://indexhistory.wordpress.com/2016/07/22/the-book-index-a-two-day-symposium/.

Proposals for papers are called for by 30 November 2016.

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Gallimaufry

Indexing sampler

A new free six-hour MOOC “Indexing books as a career” is on offer through the Canvas Network. Written by US freelance indexer Sylvia Coates it is available at https://www.canvas.net/browse/canvasnet/courses/indexing-books

Index structure

How to Create Brilliantly Structured Indexes: A Metatopic and Pan-Granular-Based Process with Fred Leise

Three-part online course presented by the ASI.

Thursdays, November 3, 10 and 17, 2016 (US time)

Designed for indexers of all experience levels, this three-session course focuses on the rarely discussed topic of index structure.

Details at: http://www.asindexing.org/online-learning/structured-leise/.
From the Twitterverse

@seanreagan writes “#indexing is also a written text, an indispensable companion text, valuable in its own right.”

@micahtillman tweets “Best index entry ever from @Routledge_Phil Handbook [of Philosophy] on Imagination.”

@PC_Bain tweets from the SI Conference #siconf16 - @djbduncan on the concordance and the early book index: ‘many people only read the title and the index’ (Erasmus, 1532).


Editor
ANZSI events

For full details, follow the link from the title of each event to the website.

Tuesday 4 October

National: Council meeting
6:30 – 8:00 pm. Held via teleconference

Wednesday 5 October

Melbourne Indexers: What was your most challenging index?
6:00 for 6:30 pm, Holy Trinity Anglican Church Hall, 1 Pakington St, Kew, Vic 3101
7:45 pm meal at Café La Q

What was your most challenging index? What aspects of the job made it challenging? Perhaps it was your first job, the clients were difficult or the book itself was massive or intellectually challenging? Come and share your experiences. Please email Mary Russell.

Sunday 9 October

Canberra Region: Lunch at National Library
12:00 – 1:30 pm. National Library of Australia, Parkes Place, Canberra, ACT

This will be a weekend lunch to talk shop and all things indexing! Meeting at the Bookplate café at the National Library. You can check out Bookplate’s menu here.

Please RSVP to Denise by Wed 5 October so she can confirm numbers with the café.

Tuesday 25 October

National: Annual General Meeting
7:00 – 8:30 pm (AEDST). Held via teleconference.

All ANZSI members are welcome and encouraged to join in our Annual General Meeting. It is easy to join in the teleconference, please contact the ANZSI Secretary Kerry Anderson for the number and code.

Click here for more information on the AGM.

Wednesday 7 December

Melbourne Indexers: How are books constructed?
6:00 for 6:30 pm, Holy Trinity Anglican Church Hall, 1 Pakington St, Kew, Vic 3101
7:45 pm meal at Café La Q
Have you ever made your own book? After a brief discussion on the process of how a book is bound there will be a chance to make your own simple booklets from sheets of A4 paper.

Please email Mary Russell.

Other events

Frankfurt International Indexing Conference
Deutsches Netzwerk der Indexer (DNI) and Nederlands Indexers Network (NIN)
(Will be held within the Frankfurt Book Fair)
Thursday 20 October 2016, Frankfurt, Germany

http://buchmesse.de/en/fbf/visit/for_professional_visitors/ or email the organisers at: indexingconference@gmail.com.

Annual Meeting
China Society of Indexing

Tuesday 15 – Friday 18 November 2016, Guizhou, China.

“Internet and Indexing: modern indexing techniques and technologies; the continuous education and improvement of indexing talents; higher education thesis — indexing rules and regulations; ethnic group literatures indexing and databases.”

Email: cindex@fudan.edu.cn

Indexing Symposium
Society for Editors and Proofreaders

Thursday 22 – Friday 23 June 2017, Oxford, UK

Organized by Dennis Duncan (who is writing a history of the index and indexing) to be held in Balliol College, Oxford

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