

COMMITTEE'S CORNER

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

Since the last newsletter, 24 new members have joined the Group. We would like to extend a warm welcome to them and hope they will want to contribute to the Newsletter in future.

The increase in membership is the result of a notice about the Group and membership forms being sent out with the National Library's Chinese, Japanese and Korean languages Current Awareness Bulletins. Each new member was sent the three most recent newsletters as part of the membership package.

Nikki White
Secretary

At a recent committee meeting the overseas membership rate was raised to A\$12 per annum to cover overseas airmail postage. This decision reflected the wishes of the general meeting held in February at the ASAA Conference. The local subscription fee of \$5 remains unchanged for the time being.

Among the news items is the Australian National University Library's newly-signed contract with OCLC for CJK cataloguing, which is reported elsewhere in this newsletter. We await developments with interest.

The Australian Bibliographic Network has been unable to cater for Australian libraries with East Asian collections as far as automation of CJK scripts is concerned. Would anyone care to comment on the desirability and feasibility of setting up a microcomputer-based distributed database network for CJK cataloguing in Australia?

Members' contributions to the newsletter are always welcome. Please contribute if you can! In addition to reports, research, library and resources news, we shall consider publishing letters to the editor and software reviews of CJK word processors or library packages. The deadline for the next issue is April 30th, 1989.

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