

Central Northern Northern Regional Library



Annual Report 2007/08

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CNRL Vision Statement

Central Northern Regional Library assists member councils to develop branch libraries as lively hubs of activity that not only foster lifelong learning, literacy and intellectual recreation, but serve as gathering places in our increasingly diverse communities– (March 2006)

CNRL Mission Statement

By being tuned into the communities we serve and supportive of each others efforts, Central Northern Regional Library will foster highly responsive, relevant and cohesive library service (March 2006)

Participating Councils

Library Delegate

Gunnedah Shire Council

Cr Adam Marshall

Liverpool Plains Shire Council

Cr Colleen Wills

Narrabri Shire Council

Cr Ron Lowder

Tamworth Regional Council

Cr Robert Schofield
(Chairman)

Uralla Shire Council

Cr John Sullivan

Walcha Council

Cr Bill Heazlett (Mayor)

Central Northern Regional Library 2007-08

Library Buildings

Well maintained, attractive and welcoming buildings are essential if CNRL is to achieve its vision of branch libraries that are lively hubs of activity and gathering places in the community. 2007-08 has seen two refurbishments and the commencement of a new library building in the region .

Manilla Council Office/ Library



A combined Tamworth Regional Council Library / Council Office was established at Manilla in February 2008 . The Manilla Library was originally located across the road from the new facility . The old building did not have disabled access. Both the library building and the council office were looking dated and in need of renovation. Extensive renovations have taken place to the Council Office building and the library has been moved into the co-located facility. Both functions now take place in a modern, spacious, accessible, air conditioned facility.



The new library has 20% more floor space, is brightly coloured with display shelving, self booking public access PC software, flat screen PCs, good signage and room to host library events.

Manilla library continues to be staffed for 25 hours per week and residents are able to use the premises and book onto the Internet during any of the Council Office open hours. The co-location of the two Council functions has extended library service for Manilla residents.

South Tamworth Library (before and after the renovation)



South Tamworth Library was first opened in 1973 and the library remained much the same until the recent refurbishment . The building is an octagonal shape and has plenty of open space. The negative features of the existing building included dated fixtures , dark brick internal walls , a heavy "pull open " entrance door and worn carpet .



In May 2008 the library was closed for three weeks while the refurbishment took place . The walls were lined and painted bright colours , an auto door was installed, new carpet tiles were laid, and a purpose built circulation desk installed. To coincide with the renovation a PC booking system and a new self check unit were introduced . The change was dramatic and has received overwhelming borrower approval .

New Library Building for Werris Creek

By 30th June the concrete slab was in place and the frame of the new Werris Creek Library was erected .

Technology:

- A major upgrade for the library management system took place in August 2007 . The upgrade was from Spydus V 6 to Spydus V 8 and involved significant changes to workflow at branch libraries .
- Pharos PC booking software has been installed and is now operating at Manilla and South Tamworth branch libraries
- Self Check units have been installed and are operating at South Tamworth and Narrabri Library .
- There has been a 4% increase in public access computer & Internet use for the region with 89,458 bookings recorded in 2007-08 compared to 86,251 in 2006-07

Information and Reader Services:

- **Database Searches** for 2007-08 totalled 17,712
- **Research Requests** received via the request module totalled 216 in 07/08 compared to 127 in 06/07
- **Interlibrary loans** = 2881 in 07-08 compared to 2920 in 06-07

Interlibrary loans 2008	
Gunnedah	162
Quirindi	163
Werris Creek	11
Total Liverpool Plains	174
Boggabri	0
Narrabri	311
Wee Waa	193
Total Narrabri Shire	504
Barraba	23
Kootingal	70
Manilla	29
Nundle	106
South Tamworth	275
Tamworth	1330
Total Tamworth	1833
Uralla	193
Walcha	15
Total	2881

- **Book Groups**—Three new book groups commenced in 2007-08. One at Walcha and two at Narrabri.. CNRL staff travelled to the branches to speak to the new groups about options for running their book group and how the library can assist them with resources. During the year 14 new titles were added as book group kits.

Circulation:

LGA	Stock per Capita	Loans per Capita
Gunnedah	1.5	3.9
Liverpool Plains	2.2	3.5
Narrabri	1.9	4.4
Tamworth	1.4	4.7
Uralla	1.7	3.1
Walcha	1.8	3.8

- Loans across the region have fallen by 6% in 2007-08. For 11 months of the year CNRL has been using Spydus version 8 software .
- Loan statistics for 2006-07 were skewed by the necessity to lend all unaccessioned items to a dummy borrower in order to carry the item record across in the conversion to Spydus 8 . Large numbers of loans for magazines at Narrabri Shire and Liverpool Plains were recorded in 06-07 . In particular Wee Waa and Werris Creek branches had inflated loans .e.g Werris Creek magazine loans 05-06 totalled 58 compared to 717 in 07-08 Wee Waa magazine loans in 05-06 were 654 compared to 1112 in 06-07.
- With the introduction of Spydus 8 came a completely new set of workflows. In Spydus 6 staff were able to process a number of transactions in succession and have all transactions recorded. In Spydus 8 , on the other hand , permanent links need to be established and each transaction must be completed before the next one is commenced . It is likely some loans have not been recorded properly as staff familiarised themselves with the new system. .
- Reservations have remained at a similar level to the previous year (less than 1% change). This year it is possible to separate out the number of reservations placed over the web . In 07-08 these totalled 13,134.
- CNRL website Hits:: 118, 936 home page hits for 2007-08 compared to 65,017 in the previous year (83% increase)

Staff Development:

- **Regional Training Days** : Five regional training days were held in 2007-08.
- **Web 2.0 online program**—all CNRL staff are participating in this program
- **PLC Conference at Merimbula**—Attended by Library Services Manager , CNRL Executive Officer , Information & Readers Services Librarian , CNRL Chairman , Jenny Campbell from Narrabri , Sharon Tolard from Gunnedah and Donna Garrad from Walcha
- **PLA Conference**—Attended by Library Services Manager
- **Recycling & Reinventing Library Spaces - State Library Building Forum 2007**—Attended by the Library Services Manager and Marilyn Deeks from Werris Creek Library
- **Rewarding Reading**— training by Libraries Alive -Attended by Readers Services Librarians Megan Pitt and Wendy Millar
- **Beyond the Hype** : ALIA symposium on Web 2.0 Attended by Library Services Manager , Regional

Resources Librarian and Jenny Campbell from Narrabri

Promotion :

- **Author talks** ; Author talks during the year have included Sam Everingham, Max Ellis, Renee Goossens Sam Bailey, Sharyn Munro, Peter Watt, Jeremy Gadd and David Gilbey .
- **Questacon— NRMA RoadZone Exhibition** is an interactive road safety exhibition aimed at 8 to 14year old exploring the importance of road safety through innovative, hands on exhibits. The exhibit was scattered throughout the Tamworth City Library during October and November 2007 and attracted a great deal of interest. There were 23 exhibits demonstrating how to survive on the roads of the fictitious town of " Hazard Point" .Visitors to the exhibit could conduct their own crash dummy tests , check their talent for spotting risks , design their own bike helmet , guess the speed of cars, cross a busy road safely, play Street Quiz and Wheel of Misfortune and discover the impact of peer pressure
- **CWA Country of Study**—A web site with links to information about Mexico was constructed to assist the CWA members with their study. The Wanhella CWA group attended an information session and morning tea in Tamworth. CNRL staff also travelled to Quirindi branch to present a session .
- **Law Week** - CNRL arranged for two Law Week events to be hosted this year . Local solicitors Ed Leyden at Manilla and James Levingston at Walcha . Both talks were titled " Planning the Future—Wills and Power of Attorney" . Both sessions were well attended.

Children's Services :

- **Volunteer Storytime**—Wee Waa Library now offers regular storytime sessions presented by volunteers using CNRL themed storytime kits. CNRL staff travelled to Wee Waa to present a training session to a group of volunteers interested in presenting storytime at the branch. CNRL provides the storytime program and resources making it possible to have regular storytimes in branches that are staffed by one person.
- **Simultaneous Storytime** – IN 2007-08 two simultaneous storytimes occurred . One in September 07 and one in May 08 . In September it was held in conjunction with National Literacy and Numeracy Week. Approximately 70,000 children at over 880 locations across Australia took part in the simultaneous reading of *The Magic Hat* written by Mem Fox and Illustrated by Tricia Tusa . All CNRL branches were supplied with the book in advance so that they could participate in the event . In 2008 National Simultaneous Storytime was held on 21st May during Library & Information week . The book chosen by The Australian Library and Information Association was *Arthur* Written by Amanda Graham Illustrated by Donna Gynell. Once again books were supplied to all CNRL branches prior to the event
- **Harry Potter and the Deadly Hallows**— CNRL ensured that enthusiastic readers of the Harry Potter series were not disappointed. The regional library purchased 70 copies of 'Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows' and the copies were quickly accessioned on the morning of the release. Branch libraries throughout the region received their copies within a few days of the title's release.
- **Children's Book Week** – . In 2007 the Children's Bookweek theme was READiscover. Two titles from the shortlist were selected by the Youth & Branch Services Librarian for presenting to class visits or pre school storytimes around the region. The books chosen were 'Brian Banana Duck Sunshine Yellow' written by Chris McKimmie and 'Amy & Louis' by Libby Gleeson and illustrated by Freya Blackwood. Book Week posters were purchased and sent to all Branch Libraries along with balloons and bookmarks. Ideas for craft activities were offered and a Regional Book Week Competition was also distributed to Branch staff.

Library Funding—The Library Day of Action :

A State-wide Library Day of Action took place on 29th November 2008 to address the ongoing proportional reduction in State Government funding for public libraries over the past 25 years.

Central Northern Regional Library took part in the Library Day of Action by having petitions in all branches. Libraries in Tamworth Regional Council, Liverpool Plains Shire and Gunnedah Shire were closed on the Day of Action.

CNRL member Councils also had the opportunity to present library funding as an issue of importance to the Regional and Rural Taskforce this year.

What's Coming in 2008 /09

- Public Libraries NSW 2008 Country Conference to be hosted in Tamworth from July 29th to 1st August 2008
- New 5 year CNRL Management Plan
- Upgrade to Spydus 8 .4.3
- Introduction of Web 2.0 features to encourage user participation on the CNRL website
- More reading group resources
- More Talking CDs and DVDs
- Further roll out of Pharos PC booking software.
- More volunteer storytime programs
- More book groups at outlying branches.
- Summer reading program for children across the region
- Trial of Living Library Program
- Introduction of Grandparents and Books program

Concluding Remarks!

2007-08 has been a high profile year for NSW Public Libraries with considerable media coverage of the Day of Action and the funding crisis. For CNRL the year has been dominated by the upgrade to Spydus 8 and the shift into shelf ready purchasing. In addition considerable preparation has been required for a smooth transition when Gunnedah separates from the region. As well as implementing these major changes staff from Tamworth have been involved in the planning for the 2008 PLC NSW Conference to be hosted in Tamworth in July 2008.

For CNRL 2008-09 will bring a greater emphasis on library programs and collection development as staff respond to the results of the Library User Survey. In the coming year the CNRL Committee will need to look at the Regional Library Agreement which is due to expire in June 2010.

Kay Delahunt
Library Services Manager

Central Northern Regional Library Online Branch 2007-08



Website Snapshot

Website Visits	118,936
Reservations from the web	13,134
Renewals over the web	3528
Database Searches	17,712
CNRL members with a PIN	14,922

- There has been an 83% increase in website visits in 2007-08

Gunnedah Shire Library 2007-08

- **Gunnedah Shire Area:** 4992 sq km
- **Population :** 11968 estimated resident population
- **Service Points:** 1 Library & 2 public service outlets
- **Open Hours:**

Gunnedah	38.5 hours per week
Curlewis	4 hours
Tambar Springs	4 hours
- **Number of Public Access PCS:** 8

Gunnedah Shire Library Snapshot

Library Visits	90191
Membership	4907
Computerised loans	47206
Stock	18209
New Stock	1515
Reservations	1952
Public Access Computer Bookings	6742
Loans per capita	3.94
Stock per capita	1.5
Stock turnover	2.6

• On 30th September 2007 Gunnedah Shire Council indicated its intention to withdraw from Central Northern Regional Library after twelve months .

• 2007-08 has been a busy year as Gunnedah makes preparations to set up a stand alone library service .

• Programs and activities for this branch were not reported to Central Northern Regional Library in 2007-08

Staff:

Gunnedah Shire Library	Ms. Sharon Tollard	<i>Librarian B.A. LIS</i>
	Mrs. Robyn Draper	<i>Library Assistant</i>
	Miss Jacqui Muller	<i>Library Trainee</i>

Liverpool Plains Shire Branch Libraries 2007-08

- **Liverpool Plains Shire Area:** 5121 sq kms
- **Population :** 7849 estimated resident population
- **Service Points:** 2 Branch Libraries & 1 public service outlet
- **Open Hours:**

Quirindi Branch Library	39 hours per week
Werris Creek Branch Library	20 hours per week
Premer	4 hours
- **Number of Public Access PCS:**

Quirindi Library	4	LPSC loans per capita	3.5
Werris Creek Branch Library	1	LPSC stock per capita	2.2
Premer	2	LPSC stock turnover	1.6

Quirindi Library Snapshot

Library Visits	30062
Membership	2072
Computerised loans	19786
Stock	10147
New Stock	613
Reservations	1225
Public Access Computer Bookings	5786

- Quirindi library hosts a regular pre school storytime program
- A contemporary literature book group meet at the Quirindi Library . In October 07 the group travelled to Tamworth's Serendipity Dinner to hear Susan Duncan speak .Susan's Book *Salvation Creek* had been read and discussed by the group this year.

- Quirindi Library contributes a weekly article to the *Quirindi Advocate* newspaper
- Quirindi Library had an Australia Day theme in January 2008
- A CWA Country of Study Information Day was held at the Quirindi Library in April 08 . CNRL staff attended and demonstrated the CNRL website
- Cartoon Dave (Dave Hackett) gave a cartooning workshop at Quirindi Library in April 2008 (31 children enjoyed this special event

Werris Creek Library Snapshot

- 2007-08 has been an exciting year for Werris Creek as the new library building in the main street takes shape .
- Children's Book Week storytimes took place at Werris Creek.. The children were given an introduction to the library and the Children's Book Council of Australia annual awards



Library Visits	No electronic visitor counter
Membership	596
Computerised loans	8418
Stock	7047
New Stock	354
Reservations	717
Public Access Computer Bookings	266

- Staff from Werris Creek Library participated in the Werris Creek Expo held at the Golf Club in September 08
- Library staff from Werris Creek also participated in the Werris Creek Festival by creating a large window display in the main street

Staff

Quirindi Branch Library	Ms. Ellen Mackie Mrs M Muirson
Werris Creek Branch Library	Ms Marilyn Deeks B Ed (UNE)
Premer Public Service Outlet-	Ms. Robyn Douglass

Narrabri Shire Branch Libraries 2007-08

• Narrabri Shire Area:	13065 sq km (GIS map info 13.10.2005)		
• Population :	13503 estimated resident population		
• Service Points:	3 branch libraries		
• Open Hours:	Narrabri Library	40 hours per week	
	Boggabri Branch Library	10 hours per week	
	Wee Waa Branch Library	20 hours per week	
• Number of Public Access PCS:	Narrabri Library	8	Loans per capita 4.4
	Boggabri Branch library	2	Stock per capita 1.9
	Wee Waa branch Library	4	Stock turnover 2.3

Narrabri Library 2007-08 Snapshot

- Narrabri Library participated in Simultaneous Storytime in September 07
- Librarian reviews books on local community radio
- School holiday activities craft puppets and board games hosted in October 07
- Children's Day—Continuous storytimes
- Narrabri hosted a summer reading program for children (107registrations)
- Library Lovers competition was held at the library on Valentines Day (61 entries)
- Librarian contributes to a weekly column in local newspaper



Library Visits	51800
Membership	4383
Computerised loans	48457
Stock	16409
New Stock	1308
Reservations	8706
Public Access Computer Bookings	11864

- Librarian gave presentation to Inner Wheel Club
- Library partnered with Lioness Club to put together library bags, library registration forms and information on literacy for all kindergarten students in the Narrabri Shire
- Knitters club commenced meeting at the library in March 08
- Two adult contemporary fiction bookgroups commenced (one evening and one day time)
- Author talk from Edward Gordon
- Joeys visited the Library

Wee Waa Library Snapshot

- Library lovers competition held at Wee Waa Feb 08
- Regular short article in local newspaper
- Volunteer storytimes commenced



Library Visits	10165
Membership	661
Computerised loans	7252
Stock	6350
New Stock	335
Reservations	1193
Public Access Computer Bookings	3225

Library Visits	2809
Membership	308
Computerised loans	3706
Stock	2758
New Stock	189
Reservations	464
Public Access Computer Bookings	302

Boggabri Library Snapshot

Boggabri Book Group continue to meet monthly at the library

Children's Bookweek competition hosted

One off storytime for a special group in March

Regular housebound delivery to one client

As needed housebound deliveries to 3 clients

Narrabri Shire Library Staff:

Narrabri Shire Library	Ms Jenny Campbell	<i>Librarian</i>
	Ms Naomi Radford	<i>Part Time</i>
Boggabri Branch Library	Mrs Helen Gilham	
Wee Waa Branch Library	Mrs Margaret Trindall	

Tamworth Regional Council Libraries 2007-08

Tamworth Regional Council Area: 9653.25 sq km

•	Population :	56532 estimated resident population		
•	Service Points:	6 Branch Libraries		
•	Open Hours:	Tamworth City Library	49 Hours per week	
		Barraba Branch Library	9 Hours per week	
		Kootingal Branch Library	17 Hours per week	
		Manilla Branch Library	25 Hours per week	
		Nundle Branch Library	12.5 Hours per week	
		South Tamworth Branch Library	38 Hours per week	
•	No of Public Access PCS:	Tamworth City Library	22	TRC loans per capita 4.7
		Barraba Branch Library	4	
		Kootingal Branch Library	4	TRC stock per capita 1.4
		Manilla Branch Library	4	
		Nundle Branch Library	3	TRC stock turnover 3.3
		South Tamworth Branch Library	6	

Tamworth Library Snapshot

- Questacon NRMA Roadzone Exhibition was held in the Tamworth Library in October and November 2007
- Author talks were hosted with Renee Goossens, Sam Everingham, Max Ellis and poet David Gilbey
- Tamworth hosted a contemporary literature book group which met at the library each month
- Preschool storytimes have been held during term on Thursday, Friday and Saturday
- Several four week Lapsit and Toddler Time programs have been held this year
- During Country Music Week special storytimes were held with guest presenters Felicity Urquhart, Jonah's Road and Sharnee Fenwick



Library Visits	139802
Membership	16662
Computerised loans	160521
Stock	44658
New Stock	5656
Reservations	9050
Public Access Computer Bookings	45509

- During Refugee Week storytimes were presented by two local Sudanese presenters
- A regular delivery to 56 housebound clients has continued throughout the year

South Tamworth Library Snapshot

Library Visits	40641	•
Membership	4033	
Computerised loans	49625	
Stock	12484	
New Stock	1600	
Reservations	2151	•
Public Access Computer Bookings	5389	•

South Tamworth Library was closed for 3 weeks in May 2008 for refurbishment .The walls were lined and painted bright colours, an auto door was installed, new carpet tiles were laid, and a purpose built circulation desk installed

A self check facility was installed at South Tamworth Library in May

Pharos PC booking system was installed at South Tamworth this year

- Preschool storytimes have been held at South Tamworth during term on Wednesdays

Manilla Library Snapshot

- In February 2008 Manilla Library relocated into a refurbished combined Library / Council Office. The new library area has 20% more floor space, is brightly coloured with display shelving, self booking public access PC software, flat screen PCs, good signage and room to host library events.
- Manilla library continues to be staffed for 25 hours per week and residents are able to use the premises and book onto the Internet during any of the Council Office open hours.
- Pharos PC booking software was installed at Manilla in February 2008
- Manilla hosted a Law Week event with a local solicitor giving a presentation in the library
- Storytimes are presented at Manilla by trained volunteers from the Manilla Born to Read Group

Library Visits	14742
Membership	1229
Computerised loans	18008
Stock	4902
New Stock	803
Reservations	4153
Public Access Computer Bookings	2490

Library Visits	11562	
Membership	1007	•
Computerised loans	17704	
Stock	7765	
New Stock	699	•
Reservations	1495	
Public Access Computer Bookings	841	

Kootingal Library Snapshot

2007-08 was a difficult year for Kootingal Library. The branch was staffed by casual library staff for most of the year .

Kootingal branch continued to remain open for two hours on Tuesday morning to allow Moonbi House residents to visit .

Barraba Library Snapshot

- To celebrate ANZAC Day 2008 Barraba Library partnered with The Barraba Returned and Services League to provide a display of past war memorabilia and a PowerPoint presentation via data projector of over 120 photos and details of ex-service personnel from Barraba .

Library Visits	12058
Membership	850
Computerised loans	11769
Stock	6428
New Stock	490
Reservations	1033
Public Access Computer Bookings	1182

Library Visits	9211
Membership	302
Computerised loans	6674
Stock	3990
New Stock	405
Reservations	1076
Public Access Computer Bookings	1067

Nundle Library Snapshot

Library staff presented simultaneous storytime in September 07 and in May 08 .

A contemporary literature book group has been resourced and co-ordinated by library staff in Nundle.

Staff

See appendix

Uralla Shire Council Library 2007-08



Uralla Shire Council Area:
3215 sq km

Population :
5987 estimated resident population

Service Points:
1 Branch Library
1 Public Service Outlet

Open Hours:
Uralla 30 Hours per week
(includes Sunday hours)

Bundarra 4 Hours per week

**Number of Public Access
PCS: 8**

Uralla Library Snapshot

Children's Activities:

- Regular storytimes have been held on Tuesdays during school term at Uralla Library in 2007-08.
- Uralla conducted a *Summer Reading Program* in January 2008
- Children's Book Week was also celebrated at Uralla with a colouring competition and Saturday Storytime

Events :

- Cartoon Dave (Dave Hackett) presented a cartooning workshop at Uralla Library in April 08 . 25 children and 7 adults attended .
- Uralla Library participated in the *Get off Your Arts* festival in March 08

Library Visits	21053
Membership	1733
Computerised loans	18647
Stock	9946
New Stock	1177
Reservations	2489
Public Access Computer Bookings	4306
Loans per capita	3.1
Stock per capita	1.7
Stock turnover	1.9

Housebound Service:

- Deliveries have been made to six housebound borrowers and a seniors assist service provided for about 20 more borrowers.

Staff

Uralla Library	Ms Judy Cozens	Librarian
Bundarra (Public Service Outlet)	Mrs Joy Rutledge	

Walcha Branch Library 2007-08

- **Walcha Council Area:** 4992 sq km
- **Population :** 3304 estimated resident population
- **Service Points:** 1 Library
- **Open Hours:** 15 hours per week
- **Number of Public Access PCS:** 3



Walcha Library Snapshot

Library Visits	5045
Membership	1025
Computerised loans	12673
Stock	6046
New Stock	365
Reservations	1090
Public Access Computer Bookings	484
Loans per capita	3.8
Stock per capita	1.8
Stock turnover	2.1

Walcha library staff has selected and processed books and audio items for the fortnightly Quota Home Book Service and Elizabeth Cross Wing at Walcha MPS

Library resources have also been supplied to the Riverview Aged Hostel

Law Week 2008 was celebrated in the library with talk from a local solicitor - 23 people attended

Walcha held a Summer Reading Program for Children in January

New flat screen monitors for the Public Access PCs have been supplied by Walcha Council

Preschool storytime is presented twice a year

A contemporary literature book group has been established at Walcha Library this year

Donna Garrad completed a Certificate IV in Library and Information Services

Staff

Walcha Library Ms Donna Garrad (Manager)
 Ms Julie Hoy (casual)
 Mrs Belinda Colwell (casual)
 Mrs Joy Finlayson (Casual)

Volunteers Mrs Judy Ireland
 Mrs Elva Cros

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Summary

Computerised Loans by Branch/ LGA 2007-08

<u>Branch/LGA</u>	<u>2007-2008</u>	<u>2006/2007</u>
Gunnedah Library (Shire Total)	47206	53019
Quirindi Library	19786	20878
Werris Creek Branch Library	8418	10260
Liverpool Plains Shire Total	28204	31138
Narrabri Library	48457	51752
Boggabri Branch Library	3706	4193
Wee Waa Branch Li- brary	7252	9840
Narrabri Shire Total	59415	65785
Tamworth City Library	160521	163094
South Tamworth Branch Library	49625	55760
Barraba Branch Library	11769	13194
Manilla Branch Library	18008	19039
Kootingal Branch Li- brary	17704	19195
Nundle Branch Library	6674	7227
Tamworth Regional Council Total	264301	277509
Uralla Library (Shire Total)	18647	21717
Walcha Library (Shire Total)	12673	13164
Webpage	3528	
CNRL Total	433974	462332

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Reservations 2006/07 and 2007/08

	2006/7	2007/8
<i>Gunnedah Shire Council</i>		
Gunnedah Library	2927	1935
Tambar Springs	78	17
Gunnedah Shire Total	3005	1952
<i>Liverpool Plains Shire Council</i>		
Quirindi Library	2026	1225
Werris Breek Branch Library	774	717
Liverpool Plains Shire Total	2800	1942
<i>Narrabri Shire Council</i>		
Narrabri Library	10026	8706
Boggabri Branch Library	641	464
Wee Waa Branch Library	1575	1193
Narrabri Shire Total	12242	10363
<i>Tamworth Regional Council</i>		
Tamworth City Library	14133	9050
South Tamworth Branch Library	4755	2151
Barraba Branch Library	1396	1033
Manilla Branch Library	3773	4153
Kootingal Branch Library	2855	1495
Nundle Branch Library	834	1076
Tamworth Regional Council Total	27746	18958
<i>Uralla Shire Council</i>		
Uralla Library (Total)	2953	2489
<i>Walcha Council</i>		
Walcha Library (Total)	1511	1090
Web (Total)	0	13134
CNRL Total	50257	49928

Central Northern Regional Library—Membership as at 30.06.2008

Branch	Adult Member	House Bound	Institution	Child (0 - 15)	Totals as at 30.06.2008	Previous Year Total
Gunnedah Library Total	3605	30	26	1665	5326	4907
Quirindi Library	1511	0	13	548	2072	1885
Werris Creek Library	377	0	1	218	596	563
LPSC Total	1888	0	14	766	2668	2448
Narrabri Library	2746	16	11	1610	4383	3925
Boggabri Branch Library	221	0	2	85	308	295
Wee Waa Branch Library	423	3	4	231	661	571
Narrabri Shire Total	3390	19	17	1926	5352	4791
Tamworth City Library	12701	104	285	3531	16621	14671
South Tamworth Branch Library	2674	14	3	1342	4033	3747
Barraba Branch Library	587	28	5	230	850	784
Manilla Branch Library	842	16	2	369	1229	1080
Kootingal Branch Library	653	14	4	336	1007	949
Nundle Branch Library	240	3	3	56	302	281
TRC Total	17697	179	302	5864	24042	21512
Uralla Library (Total)	1116	46	5	566	1733	1557
Walcha Library (Total)	720	6	3	296	1025	930
GRAND TOTAL	28416	280	367	11083	40146	36145

Central Northern Regional Library— Book Loan Statistics 2007-08

BRANCH	Adult		Young Adult		Children's		Picture		BOOK TOTAL
	Non Fiction	Fiction	Fiction	Non Fiction	Non Fiction	Fiction	Book		
Gunnedah Shire Total	4900	17563	977	1008	2594	4833		31875	
<i>Liverpool Plains Shire Council</i>									
Quirindi Library	2178	8871	450	352	1354	2223		15428	
Werris Breek Branch Library	878	4063	205	113	452	837		6548	
LPSC Total	3056	12934	655	465	1806	3060		21976	
<i>Narrabri Shire Council</i>									
Narrabri Library	5369	21377	569	1262	3497	5660		37734	
Boggabri Library	364	1850	72	28	119	187		2620	
Wee Waa Library	616	2930	159	165	723	739		5332	
Narrabri Shire Total	6349	26157	800	1455	4339	6586		45686	
<i>Tamworth City Library</i>									
Tamworth City Library	35554	45315	4185	3846	11905	16666		117471	
South Tamworth Library	4242	21390	540	894	2310	4357		33733	
Barraba Branch Library	779	4982	81	225	435	1085		7587	
Manilla Branch Library	2240	7284	231	456	796	1500		12507	
Kootingal Branch Library	1775	6171	204	425	792	1558		10925	
Nundle Branch Library	744	2554	47	75	105	652		4177	
TRC Total	45334	87696	5288	5921	16343	25818		186400	
<i>Uralla Library</i>									
Uralla Library (Total)	3043	6688	280	480	1262	1693		13446	
<i>Walcha Library</i>									
Walcha Library (Total)	1287	5332	105	181	591	1306		8802	
Web	1038	734	85	176	473	419		2925	
Grand Total	65007	157104	8190	9686	27408	43715		311110	

Central Northern Regional Library — Audio–Visual Loan Statistics 2007-08

BRANCH	Junior Music		Spoken Word		Junior Tape/Text		Children's VD/DVD		Children's TOTAL		Adult Music		Spoken Word		Adult VD/DVD		Adult TOTAL		GRAND TOTAL
Gunnedah Library	19	93	15	99	99	226	449	2066	405	2920	3146								
Gunnedah Shire Total	19	93	15	99	99	226	449	2066	405	2920	3146								
Quirindi Library	7	32	3	184	226	204	601	199	1004	1230									
Werris Breek Branch Library	9	15	0	96	120	231	257	268	756	876									
Liverpool Plains Shire Total	16	47	3	280	346	435	858	467	1760	2106									
Narrabri Library	29	95	2	318	444	691	1377	433	2501	2945									
Boggabri Branch Library	0	4	0	45	49	90	32	34	156	205									
Wee Waa Branch Library	2	19	3	109	133	47	107	34	188	321									
Narrabri Shire Total	31	118	5	472	626	828	1516	501	2845	3471									
Tamworth City Library	136	753	57	583	1529	4661	5216	364	10241	11770									
South Tamworth Branch Library	26	56	1	308	391	951	717	615	2283	2674									
Barraba Branch Library	7	28	9	131	175	209	88	151	448	623									
Manilla Branch Library	0	39	2	138	179	329	313	447	1089	1268									
Kootinggal Branch Library	5	57	1	136	199	319	438	195	952	1151									
Nundle Branch Library	0	26	5	36	67	92	304	110	506	573									
Tamworth Regional Council Total	174	959	75	1332	2540	6561	7076	1882	15519	18059									
Uralla Library (Total)	7	81	0	145	233	593	514	172	1279	1512									
Walcha Library (Total)	7	40	0	34	81	90	645	84	819	900									
Web	3	25	1	44	73	85	86	47	218	291									
Grand Total	257	1363	99	2406	4125	9041	12761	3558	25360	29485									

Central Northern Regional Library—Special Collections Loan Statistics 2007-08

BRANCH	MAGS	REF	JLP	LP	LANGUAGE	OTHER	TOTAL	GRAND TOTAL
								ALL LOANS
<i>Gunnedah Shire Council</i>								
Gunnedah Library	2956	9	0	8602	4	614	12185	47206
Gunnedah Shire Total	2956	9	0	8602	4	614	12185	47206
<i>Liverpool Plains Shire Council</i>								
Quirindi Library	470	0	0	2575	0	83	3128	19786
Werris Breek Branch Library	86	0	0	772	0	136	994	8418
Liverpool Plains Shire Total	556	0	0	3347	0	219	4122	28204
<i>Narrabri Shire Council</i>								
Narrabri Library	1485	0	2	5920	7	364	7778	48457
Boggabri Branch Library	162	0	0	718	0	1	881	3706
Wee Waa Branch Library	480	0	0	996	0	123	1599	7252
Narrabri Shire Total	2127	0	2	7634	7	488	10258	59415
<i>Tamworth Regional Council</i>								
Tamworth City Library	9231	4	14	20168	9	1854	31280	160521
South Tamworth Branch Library	3442	0	2	9544	1	229	13218	49625
Barraba Branch Library	1216	0	0	2326	0	17	3559	11769
Manilla Branch Library	203	0	0	3921	0	109	4233	18008
Kootingal Branch Library	1137	0	4	4249	0	238	5628	17704
Nundle Branch Library	409	0	0	1460	0	55	1924	6674
Tamworth Regional Council Total	15638	4	20	41668	10	2502	59842	264301
<i>Uralla Shire Council</i>								
Uralla Library (Total)	485	0	1	3071	7	125	3689	18647
<i>Walcha Council</i>								
Walcha Library (Total)	184	0	5	2772	0	10	2971	12673
<i>Web</i>								
Web	175	0	1	136	0	0	312	3528
Grand Total	22121	13	29	67230	28	3958	93379	433974

*OTHER refers to non-acquisitioned items and ILLS

Central Northern Regional Library – Library Stock (Books) as 30.06.2008

BOOKS										
Branch	Adult Non Fiction	Adult Fiction	Young Adult Fiction	Children's Non-Fiction	Children's Fiction	Picture Books	Book Total 2008	Book Total 2007		
<i>Gunnedah Shire Council</i>										
Gunnedah Library	4309	4216	891	1251	1943	1574	14184	13319		
Gunnedah Shire Total	4309	4216	891	1251	1943	1574	14184	13319		
<i>Liverpool Plains Shire Council</i>										
Quirindi Library	1872	3234	334	573	1013	801	7827	7343		
Werris Breek Branch Library	941	2923	227	353	474	499	5417	5201		
Liverpool Plains Shire Total	2813	6157	561	926	1487	1300	13244	12544		
<i>Narrabri Shire Council</i>										
Narrabri Library	3777	5308	599	849	1157	988	12678	11745		
Boggabri Branch Library	527	902	105	153	212	184	2083	1965		
Wee Waa Branch Library	861	2823	189	245	499	374	4991	5183		
Narrabri Shire Total	5165	9033	893	1247	1868	1546	19752	18893		
<i>Tamworth Regional Council</i>										
Tamworth City Library	19486	6883	849	2515	2438	2004	34175	32069		
South Tamworth Branch Library	2152	3829	440	599	1100	800	8920	8037		
Barraba Branch Library	904	2463	199	310	457	354	4687	3494		
Manilla Branch Library	802	1835	144	270	369	338	3758	4915		
Kootingal Branch Library	1595	2126	254	437	784	526	5722	5849		
Nundle Branch Library	644	1113	86	167	293	222	2525	2483		
Tamworth Regional Council Total	25583	18249	1972	4298	5441	4244	59787	56847		
<i>Uralla Shire Council</i>										
Uralla Library (Total)	2069	3166	384	679	873	739	7910	7835		
<i>Walcha Council</i>										
Walcha Library (Total)	1371	1693	209	308	559	356	4496	4342		
GRAND TOTAL	41310	42514	4910	8709	12171	9759	119373	113780		

Central Northern Regional Library—Library Stock—Audio Visual as at 30.06.2008

Branch	Junior Spoken Word		Junior Music		Junior Tape/Text		Children's Video/DVD		Children's Total Non-Book		Adult Spoken Word		Hear a-Book/Tactile		Adult Video/DVD		Adult Music		Adult Total Non-Book		Total Non-Book		Total		
<i>Gunnedah Shire Council</i>																									
Gunnedah Library	39		11		11		25		86		347		0		273		394		1014				1100		1105
Gunnedah Shire Total	39		11		11		25		86		347		0		273		394		1014			1100		1105	
<i>Liverpool Plains Shire Council</i>																									
Quirindi Library	37		5		3		35		80		198		0		145		221		564			644		628	
Werris Breek Branch Library	18		8		4		25		55		125		0		149		186		460			515		517	
Liverpool Plains Shire Total	55		13		7		60		135		323		0		294		407		1024			1159		1145	
<i>Narrabri Shire Council</i>																									
Narrabri Library	60		8		3		49		120		232		0		270		427		929			1049		1005	
Boggabri Branch Library	6		0		7		6		19		21		0		28		70		119			138		145	
Wee Waa Branch Library	6		2		1		33		42		58		0		24		105		187			229		223	
Narrabri Shire Total	72		10		11		88		181		311		0		322		602		1235			1416		1373	
<i>Tamworth Regional Council</i>																									
Tamworth City Library	82		15		19		89		205		625		104		92		847		1668			1873		2038	
South Tamworth Branch Library	34		5		7		50		96		273		0		161		246		680			776		702	
Barraba Branch Library	30		6		16		34		86		94		0		100		120		314			400		398	
Manilla Branch Library	13		2		6		14		35		39		0		81		115		235			270		328	
Kootingal Branch Library	38		4		2		39		83		187		0		80		183		450			533		560	
Nundle Branch Library	15		1		9		22		47		86		0		70		105		261			308		331	
Tamworth Regional Council Total	212		33		59		248		552		1304		104		584		1616		3608			4160		4357	
<i>Uralla Shire Council</i>																									
Uralla Library (Total)	30		5		3		37		75		180		0		103		216		499			574		562	
<i>Walcha Council</i>																									
Walcha Library (Total)	44		0		1		18		63		158		0		101		146		405			468		483	
GRAND TOTAL	452		72		92		476		1092		2623		104		1677		3381		7785			8877		9025	

Central Northern Regional Library- Library Stock (Special Collections) as at 30.06.2008

Branch	*Barcoded Magazines	Reference	Junior Large Print	Adult Large Print	Language	Special Colln Total	TOTAL	
							STOCK 2008	Previous Year Total
<i>Gunnedah Shire Council</i>								
Gunnedah Library	719	401	0	1801	4	2925	18209	17516
Gunnedah Shire Total	719	401	0	1801	4	2925	18209	17516
<i>Liverpool Plains Shire Council</i>								
Quirindi Library	511	273	1	890	1	1676	10147	9480
Werris Breek Branch Library	441	145	0	529	0	1115	7047	6870
Liverpool Plains Shire Total	952	418	1	1419	1	2791	17194	16350
<i>Narrabri Shire Council</i>								
Narrabri Library	871	432	4	1371	1	2679	16406	15197
Boggabri Branch Library	242	0	61	234	0	537	2758	2644
Wee Waa Branch Library	561	102	0	467	0	1130	6350	6240
Narrabri Shire Total	1674	534	65	2072	1	4346	25514	24081
<i>Tamworth Regional Council</i>								
Tamworth City Library	4294	1461	7	2827	21	8610	44658	40591
South Tamworth Branch Library	1193	134	1	1459	1	2788	12484	11186
Barraba Branch Library	616	125	1	599	0	1341	6428	5736
Manilla Branch Library	233	112	0	529	0	874	4902	6269
Kootingal Branch Library	343	93	2	1072	0	1510	7765	7942
Nundle Branch Library	591	133	0	433	0	1157	3990	4016
Tamworth Regional Council Total	7270	2058	11	6919	22	16280	80227	75740
<i>Uralla Shire Council</i>								
Uralla Library (Total)	103	171	1	1184	3	1462	9946	9956
<i>Walcha Council</i>								
Walcha Library (Total)	216	248	0	618	0	1082	6046	5925
GRAND TOTAL	10934	3830	78	14013	31	28886	157136	149568

*Unaccessioned barcodes
All counted this year, not just those on loan

Central Northern Regional Library Acquisitions, Donations & Withdrawals 2007-08

Books	Acquisitions		Donations		Withdrawals	
	2006/2007	2007/2008	2006/2007	2007/2008	2006/2007	2007/2008
Adult Non-Fiction	4558	3370	1363	1239	2798	1550
Adult Fiction/PBK/Mags	6879	6736	1579	1334	3784	4510
Young Adult Fiction	612	463	19	3	327	428
Children's Non-Fiction	452	701	26	8	548	237
Children's Fiction	1407	704	29	22	443	474
Picture Books/Easies	1043	1600	21	0	686	937
Total Books	14951	13574	3037	2606	8586	8136
Other Material						
CD's	619	252	71	18	23	65
Spoken Word	626	336	22	0	204	332
Videos/DVD's	488	54	96	184	268	167
Total Other Material	1733	642	189	202	495	564
Reference	617	162	0	0	427	141
Large Print	898	1131	0	0	1047	616
GRAND TOTAL	18199	15509	3226	2808	10555	9457

New Items Acquired for CNRL Branches 2006-2007

New Items Acquired for CNRL Branches	
2007-2008	
Gunnedah Library	1515
Gunnedah Shire Total	1515
Quirindi Library	613
Werris Creek Branch Library	354
Liverpool Plains Shire Total	967
Narrabri Library	1308
Boggabri Branch Library	189
Wee Waa Branch Library	335
Narrabri Shire Total	1832
Tamworth City Library	5656
South Tamworth Branch Library	1600
Barraba Branch Library	490
Manilla Branch Library	803
Kootingal Branch Library	699
Nundle Branch Library	405
Tamworth Regional Council Total	9653
Uralla Library (Shire Total)	1177
Walcha Library (LGA Total)	365
CNRL Total	15509

Central Northern Regional Library

Library Stock Turnover as at 30.6.2008

Branch	Stock	Issues	Turnover
Gunnedah Shire Total	18209	47206	2.59
Quirindi Library	10147	19786	1.95
Werris Creek Library Branch-	7047	8418	1.19
LPSC Total	17194	28204	1.64
Narrabri Library	16406	48457	2.95
Boggabri Branch Library	2758	3706	1.34
Wee Waa Branch Library	6350	7252	1.14
Narrabri Shire Total	25514	59415	2.33
Tamworth City Library	44658	160521	3.59
South Tamworth Library	12484	49625	3.98
Barraba Library	6428	11769	1.83
Manilla Library	4902	18008	3.67
Kootingal Library	7765	17704	2.28
Nundle Branch Library	3990	6674	1.67
TRC Total	80227	264301	3.29
Uralla Library (Total)	9946	18647	1.87
Walcha Library (Total)	6046	12673	2.10
Web	0	3528	0.00
GRAND TOTAL	157136	433974	2.76

Central Northern Regional Library

Public Access Computer Bookings

Branch	No. of PC's	No. of PC's	Bookings	Bookings	Bookings
	Previous Year	2007/2008	Previous Year	2007/2008	% Change
Gunnedah Library	8	9	6421	6747	5.08%
Gunnedah Shire Total	8	9	6421	6747	5.08%
Quirindi Library	5	5	6252	5786	-7.45%
Werris Creek Branch Library	2	2	271	266	-1.85%
LPSC Total	7	7	6523	6052	-7.22%
Narrabri Library	6	9	11224	11864	5.70%
Boggabri Library	2	2	298	302	1.34%
Wee Waa Library	4	4	3437	3225	-6.17%
Narrabri Total	14	15	14959	15391	2.89%
Tamworth City Library	22	22	44267	45509	2.81%
South Tamworth Library	5	6	3837	5389	40.45%
Barraba Library	4	4	769	1182	53.71%
Manilla Library	3	4	2280	2490	9.21%
Kootingal Library	4	4	916	841	-8.19%
Nundle Library	3	3	907	1067	17.64%
TRC Total	41	43	52976	56478	6.61%
Uralla Library (Total)	8	9	4890	4306	-11.94%
Walcha Library (Total)	3	3	482	484	0.41%
GRAND TOTAL	81	86	86251	89458	3.72%

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