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MEDICAL LIBRARIANS' GROUP (VICTORIAN BRANCH).NEWSLETTER.

Following the Meeting of the University Medical Librarians at the L.A.A. Conference in Sydney, a meeting of the Victorian Medical Librarians was held at Melbourne University on 23 November, 1971 to discuss the formation of a Victorian Branch of the Medical Librarians' Group.

At the Meeting, it was resolved that:

1. such a group be formed;
2. all persons engaged in medical library work would be eligible to join;
3. a subscription of \$2 per annum be made, covering the period from 1st July to 30th June. An interim subscription of \$1 to 30th June 1972 is now due;
4. meetings be held quarterly, in February, May, August, and November, at 6.30 p.n. at a venue to be decided, possibly Monash Medical School, Alfred Hospital;
5. no committee would be formed, but that Mrs. Fay Baker, of the Monash Medical School Library, Alfred Hospital (51.0281 Ext. 2678/9) and Mrs. Enid Meldrum, Librarian, Alfred Hospital (51.0281 Ext. 2337) would be appointed as joint conveners of the Group.

The conveners would like to call the next meeting on Tuesday 15th February, 1972 at 6.30 p.m. in the History of Medicine Room at the Brownless Library, Melbourne University. The meeting will take the form of a tour of the Brownless Library and C.M.L.O. services, stressing particularly the union lists, exchange operation, and overseas photocopying services. The conveners would also like to arrange a speaker for the same evening to outline briefly the principles and practice of interlibrary loans.

It is hoped that meetings might alternatively take the form of an "activity" night or a guest speaker. Suggestions for the future are a display and discussion of stationery used in medical libraries; preparation of a primer of medical library practice; compilation of a recommended list of reference material for small medical libraries; and a cataloguing workshop. Suggestions for future activities would be welcomed by the conveners.