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Website of the Month

ACEWEB <<http://yarranet.net.au/aceweb/>> focuses on professional development for ACE online and leads by example. Its style is friendly and inclusive, and it extends beyond the expected features of an active website. Online tutorials are provided by ACEWEB and others. The forums provide a record of some interesting conversations, thanks to Dale Pobega's enthusiastic efforts. The ACEWEB Cluster Project plans to enhance "what we do by net based technologies". Online.ACE 2000 is professional development in association with the TAFEVC (TAFE Virtual Campus). An innovative site for anyone in ACE wanting to explore online possibilities

Adult Learners Week 2001 2-8 September National coordinator vacancy.

We are looking for a new National Coordinator. Marita Hefler will be working with the Fred Hollows Foundation, Sydney and takes with her our best wishes. Details of the job can be found at <www.ala.asn.au/pages/jobs.html>. Applications close 20 December. If you know someone who would be suitable please encourage them to apply.

ALA Annual Conference 2000

ALA 40th anniversary conference was held 24-26 November in Canberra. Thankyou to all who contributed to its success. The proceedings will be published in 2001.

ALA 2000 Award Winners:

- Adult Education Provider of the Year - Continuing Education Centre, Albury-Wodonga.
- Adult Educator of the Year - Colin Lawton,
- Adult Education Program of the Year - Geoff Baker of The Centre, Wangaratta, for *Living in harmony: our migrants' stories*, and accompanying book *Voices from in between*.

ALA Conference 2001, 27 - 30 September
Place and the ecology of learning
Gagadju Crocodile Hotel, Jabiru, NT.

Lifelong Learning

Some papers from the *Agenda for the future* Conference are now on the ALW site
<http://alw.ala.asn.au/conf2000/confpapers.html>.

Learning Towns and Cities

New in the Learning Towns and Cities section on the website -

Towns, cities and regions in the learning age: a survey of learning communities by Martin Yarnit. DfEE (UK), September 2000. Free download from the LTC page <<http://www.ala.asn.au/cities.html>>.

GST

Education related entities who wish to apply to defer their next BAS date from 4 February to 9 February must advise the ATO of their details, by 11December 2000. Find out how at <<http://www.ala.asn.au/gst.html>>.

The GST Helpline is now closed. Thanks to Karla Eldridge for her support.

Community Learning Leaders

The first Community Learning Leaders program has now finished. We will soon advertise the second program which will be conducted in the first half of 2001. Stray tuned to the website for news.

Win \$750

Research students can win \$750 by submitting articles for publication in the Australian Journal of Adult Learning.

This will be the last *Current* for 2000. We will be taking a break and will return in the first week of February 2001. To all our readers best wishes for a happy and safe holiday season. We look forward to working with you again in 2001.

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