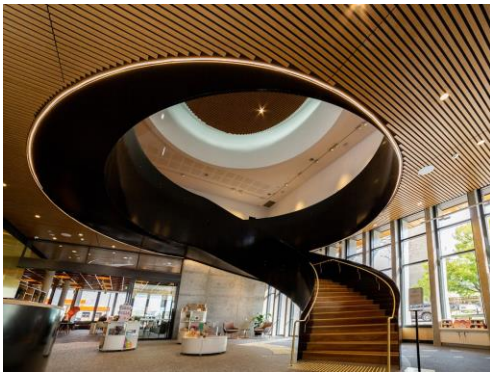


VICTORIAN
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2023 BORDER ROAD TRIP



NOVEMBER 30, 2023 –
WORKSHOPS/SPEAKERS &
VATL AGM

DECEMBER 1, 2023 –
LIBRARY TOURS

Albury - Wodonga

VATL is pleased to invite members to our two-day event in Albury-Wodonga

- Half day networking event including speakers/workshops and the VATL Annual General Meeting (Thursday)
- Tours of up to six libraries in Albury-Wodonga (Friday)
- **Tickets are limited to a maximum of 2 per member institution.** A waitlist will be available for unallocated tickets.
- Free accommodation overnight Thursday
- Lunches/tea breaks provided.
- Optional dinner (Thursday - at own cost)
- All travel within Albury-Wodonga will be by bus provided by VATL, including transfers from Wodonga train station to the venue, transfer from the venue to accommodation (Thursday), tours, and return to the Albury train station (Friday).
- Participants will be expected to make their own travel arrangements to Albury-Wodonga, but metropolitan based members are strongly encouraged to book the train for just \$20 return.

Itinerary (subject to change)

Thursday 30th November - Venue: The Valleys, Wodonga TAFE

- 11.30 – 12.30 Lunch
- 12.30 – 1.00 Tour of Wodonga TAFE campus
- 1.00 – 3.00 Speakers/Activities (details to be confirmed)
- 3.00 – 3.30 Afternoon tea
- 3.30 – 4.30 VATL AGM
- 5.15 Bus to accommodation – Atura Hotel, Albury
- 7.00 – 9.00 Dinner at local restaurant (Optional – at own expense)

Friday 1st December - Library tours

- 9.00 Bus leaves accommodation – Atura Hotel, Albury
- 9.30 Hyphen Library Gallery – Wodonga
- 10.30 David Mann Library – La Trobe University & Wodonga TAFE
- 11.30 Albury Library Museum
- 12.15 Lunch
- 1.30 NSW TAFE Albury campus Library
- 2.30 Charles Sturt University – Thurgoona campus Library
- 3.30 Trinity Anglican College Library
- 4.45 Drop off at Albury Train station
- 5.00 Bus returns to accommodation – Atura Hotel, Albury

Travel

Attendees will be expected to make their own arrangements for travel to/from Albury-Wodonga. Why not make a weekend of it and visit the many attractions the North-East has to offer?

Train

Metropolitan based attendees are strongly encouraged to take the v/Line train for just \$20 return. **Participants should BOOK EARLY to secure a reserved seat.**
<https://www.vline.com.au/>

Recommended services

Thursday 30th November. Southern Cross departing 7.07am - arriving 10.27 am Wodonga. If sufficient numbers take this service VATL will arrange a bus transfer from **Wodonga Train station** to Wodonga TAFE (the venue).

Friday 1st December. Albury departing 5.38pm – arriving 9.45pm Southern Cross. The tour bus on Friday will drop participants at the **Albury Train station** as part of the route.

Flights

There are limited direct flights between Melbourne and Albury Airport.

Albury Airport is a 14 minute drive from the venue (Wodonga TAFE) and 11 minute drive from the accommodation at Atura Hotel, Albury.

Accommodation

VATL will provide one night of free accommodation in a King Deluxe room at the Atura Hotel, Albury on Thursday 30th November.

Additional nights accommodation may be arranged by attendees at their own expense. Please contact the hotel direct to extend your booking.

Breakfast is available for \$25 (at own expense) in the RoadHouse Grill by booking at the time of check-in.

Individual guests will be required to provide photo ID and credit card imprint at check-in or a suitable holding deposit.

The tour bus will depart from the Atura Hotel at 9.00am on Friday, 1st December.

Atura Hotel

648 Dean St, Albury, NSW, 2640

02 6021 5366

<https://www.aturahotels.com/accommodation/regional-nsw/albury/>

Amenities include: Free wifi; free parking at the back of the hotel, entrance off Elizabeth St; swimming pool.

Important Dates

Now – Discuss your interest in attending this event with your Library Manager.

30th September – Library Managers to provide names and emails of 2 nominated attendees, and 1 – 2 waitlist nominations if required. Managers will be emailed details of a Google form to provide this information.

13th October – Attendees to provide details of travel arrangements (eg if bus transfer from train station is required), accommodation, attendance at optional dinner etc. Attendees will be emailed details of a Google form to provide this information.

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On behalf of the VATL executive committee:

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