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Aleph - managing a shared off-site storage facility at CARM & Harvard

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CAVAL linking leading libraries

- a public not-for-profit company

- owned by 12 universities across the Australian states of Victoria, NSW and Tasmania

- has provided a variety of services to libraries on a collaborative & commercial basis since 1978

30 Years of History

- established by Victorian academic libraries

- growth in range of services and products

- membership expansion 2005 onwards

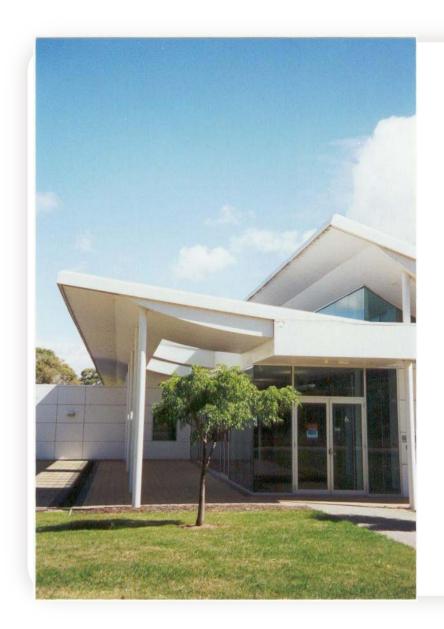- CARM Centre opened 4th February 1997

- planning for 5 previous years

Shared services for libraries

- off-site storage of print materials

- training & event management

- cataloguing & processing

- consultancy

- document delivery & inter-library loans

- information systems management

- statistics & library assessment services

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Off-site storage of print materials

- CARM Centre - environmentally controlled print repository

- high density storage

- last copies of research materials & formed special collections

- titles catalogued onto NBD and fully retrievable

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The CARM Collection

- more serial volumes than monographs

- 12,000 serial titles

- publication date peaks 1950 - 1990's (81%); but sizeable amounts earlier

- growing usage, free to members

- services based on member needs

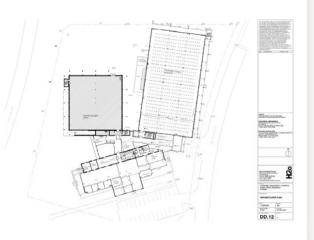- 'digital to desktop' wherever possible

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CARM2

- current Centre nearing capacity

- 2006 - feasibility study identified ongoing demand

- 2007 - concept design & development of business model

- 2008 - detailed design

- 2009 – tender, commence building

- Mid 2010 – estimated completion

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Aleph at CAVAL

- CARM Centre   http://carm.caval.edu.au

- Cataloguing Services

  ➢ specialised cataloguing in more than 70 languages

  ➢ from single items to entire collections

  ➢ processing of library materials
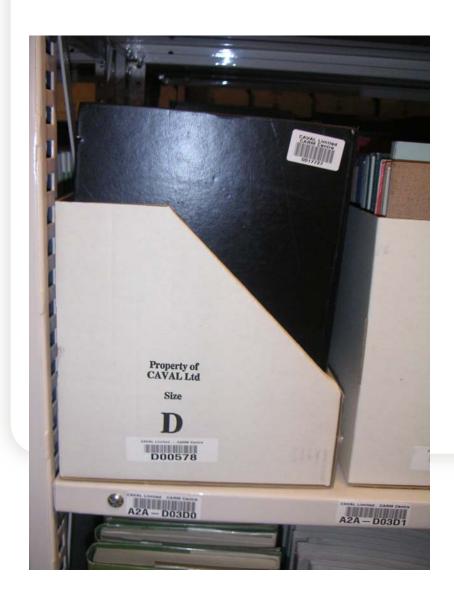
  ➢ for members & customers

CARM High Density Storage

- books sorted by size

- stored in trays

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CARM Barcodes

- Book
- Tray
- Shelf

CARM Systems

- Aleph (V18)
  - ➢ Bibliographic records for CARM
  - ➢ Item barcodes
  - ➢ Brief records batch loaded into FTRACK

- FTRACK (Inventory management system)
  - ➢ customised warehouse system
  - ➢ 3 barcodes – item/book, tray, shelf/location
  - ➢ orders module used for circulation

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Visit to Harvard August 2008

Harvard University Library

- uses Aleph

- extensive use of unicode

- multi-lingual cataloguing expertise

- off-site storage facility

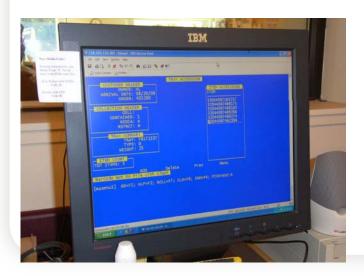- inventory management system with links to Aleph

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Harvard University Depository

- 24 years

- 6 modules in operation

- 7th module under construction

- 30 foot high shelves, accessed by a 'cherry-picker'

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HD systems

- requested items delivered within 24 hours

- processes & checks very thorough

HD High Density Storage

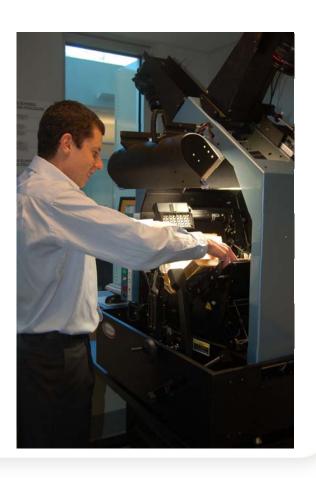- books sorted by size

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HD Systems

- Aleph (V19)
  - ➢ patron access, items requested & status displayed
  - ➢ set remote storage flag, details batch loaded into Progress

- Progress (Inventory management system)
  - ➢ LAS (Library Archival System) by GFA (Generation First Application)
  - ➢ many links to Aleph e.g. patron circulation (220,000 loans p.a.)
  - ➢ files refreshed overnight (14M records) - proven to be quicker than incremental loads

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CARM2 systems

- exploring integrating FTRACK functionality into Aleph

- if not possible then upgrade or replace FTRACK

- implement Aleph Circulation module

- medium density storage

- digitisation

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What have we learnt?

- flexibility - in design, in the operational model, in policy development & review

- the power of collection overlap studies

- now a greater demand for library storage i.e. library retaining ownership

- however CARM (consortium) collection will continue to grow

- demand for environmentally controlled storage by many cultural institutions

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Harvard University Library (HUL)   http://hul.harvard.edu/

Harvard Office for Information Systems http://hul.harvard.edu/ois/

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Questions?