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Inquiry into ACT Libraries

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I love libraries in general and quite like the ACT public libraries in particular.

A few comments (I use the same numbering as in the terms of reference):

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Blu-rays: currently the library has lots of DVDs but almost no Blu-rays. (Apparently the current policy is to only get a Blu-ray copy of an item if a regular DVD copy is not available.) I would love to see Blu-rays being bought along side regular DVDs. With the demise of video rental stores in the ACT, it is now very hard to rent / borrow Blu-rays. (Blu-rays can still be rented from Video-Ezy rental machines but their selection of titles is extremely limited, for example, they do not have any animation titles on Blu-ray.)

Currently the library often gets multiple copies of popular titles on DVD. In the future, if multiple copies of a titles are going to be bought, why not buy say one less DVD copy but also buy a copy on Blu-ray? I wish the library would try this. I think it would prove very popular.

Video games: these would also make a nice addition to the library and I believe would be very popular.

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Blu-rays + video games, Melbourne public libraries: Would Blu-rays and/or video games be popular additions to the ACT public libraries? I think so - Melbourne public libraries, for example, have close to a thousand Blu-ray titles, often with multiple copies of each title, as well as a large selection of video games.

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