



Newsletter

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Welcome to the December edition of the ADR monthly Newsletter. ADR would like to wish all our readers a Merry Christmas, Happy New Year and a prosperous 2013. In this issue we review two very different restoration projects. If you would like to contribute to the newsletter please send your articles, comments, testimonials etc to us by email: adr@ausdr.com.au.

PROJECTS

VANDALS SET FIRE IN SCHOOL HALL

Vandals broke in to a school hall in south west Sydney on a Saturday night and set fire to a garbage bin. Unfortunately there was no automatic sprinkler system installed in the building so the fire continued unabated until it ran out of fuel. The fire brigade attended the scene to make sure the fire was extinguished and there was no further danger to the school property. The brick wall adjacent to the bin was significantly damaged. There was also soot and smoke contamination throughout the entire hall which included a small canteen area.



Brick wall before and after bin fire.

A team of ADR professionals attended soon after the damage was reported to begin the restoration. Initially the

team cleaned the soot from the walls and ceilings of the hall and inside the cupboards of the canteen. They then moved onto the floor in front of the brick wall where the fire was set, removing debris and ash in preparation for painting. The brick wall required a very specialised type of restoration that ADR has developed through years of experience in these types of projects. The technique used to remove the fire stain includes the use of specialised chemical treatments which bring the brick work back to it's original state. Once the brick work was restored the ceiling and floor could be painted to complete the restoration.

DOCUMENTS & RECORDS DIGITISATION

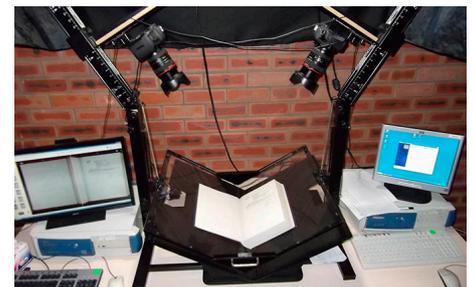
In this age of computers, sharing of digital information is becoming more and more necessary. In many cases significant documents and records are in paper form only and therefore can not be shared using modern data sharing methods. Commonly these records are also very old and fragile and should not be handled frequently. In these situations the best way to share the information and protect the integrity of the original documents is to digitise them.



ADR staff digitising records.

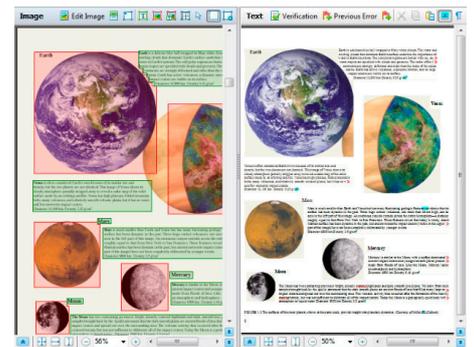
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ADR's advanced book scanning system.

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