



Bookmark update

10.9.8

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ELR Survey 2025

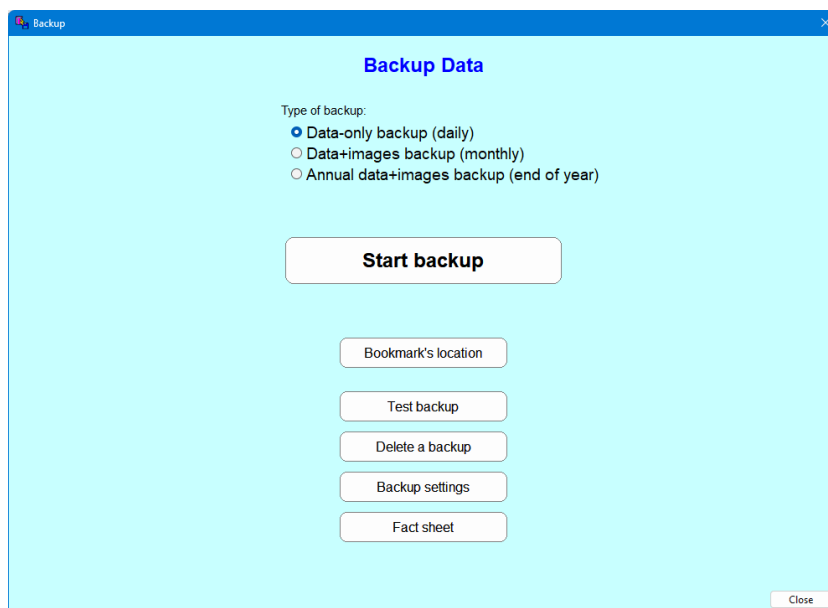
This year, the annual Educational Lending Rights (ELR) survey begins in September.

The survey counts Australian authored books and other materials held in school libraries for the purpose of compensating Australian authors. Each year, roughly 100 schools using Bookmark are randomly selected by the ELR survey team to participate. Schools choosing to participate run the survey using a section built into Bookmark. (Cataloguing > Item Lists > ELR Survey)

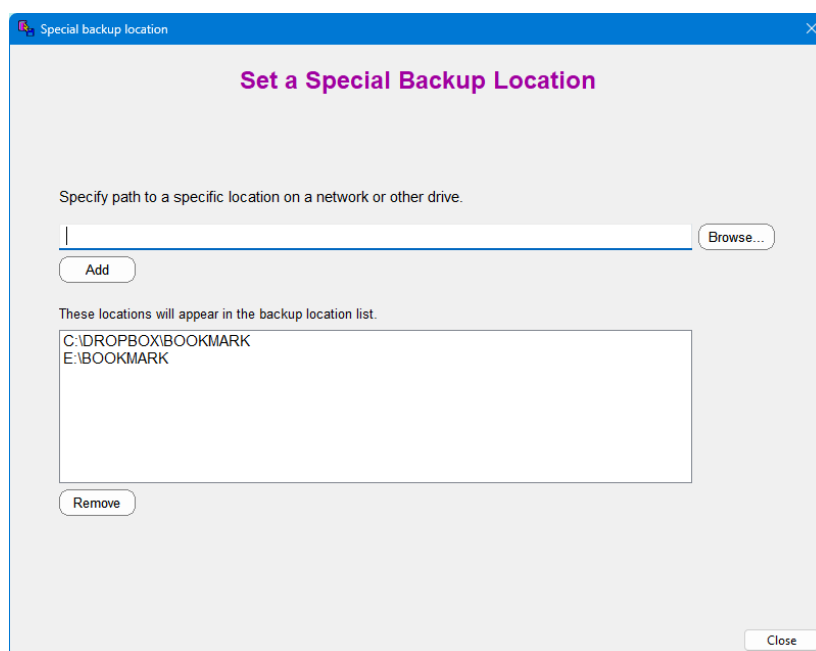
While the survey can be run with older versions of Bookmark, the new 10.9.8 version contains an easier way to report back to ELR the results of the survey. If you are participating in this year's ELR survey, please update Bookmark to obtain this new feature.

Backup Menu

The backup menu has undergone further redesign.



In Backup Settings > Set Special Location, more than one "special backup location" can be made available.



Enter the location into the editbox by typing or using Browse. These can include special locations like Dropbox and GoogleDrive. (OneDrive has its own separate setup.)

Backups to USB flash drives and Bookmark's Cloud location on the Internet are the best and normal destinations. The special locations are used only if needed.

Borrower Database Error Fixed

Many users reported a database error when saving borrower data, especially in AddEdit Borrowers. The error was due to a change made in a previous version that was not picked up until later.

Updating to 10.9.8 automatically checks to see if the error is still in your data and corrects it if found.

CPAC New Functions

CPAC (Cloud Public Access Catalogue) is Bookmark's Internet-based catalogue search system.

With CPAC, your resources can be put online for users to search.

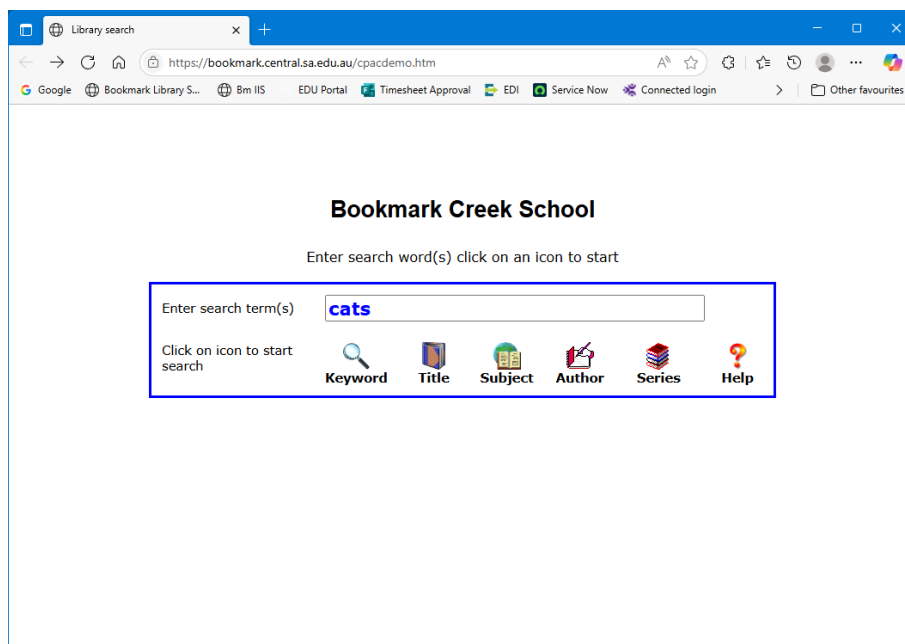
CPAC is accessed with a simple URL. Every Bookmark user can have their own special URL.

Example demo: <https://bookmark.central.sa.edu.au/cpacdemo.htm>

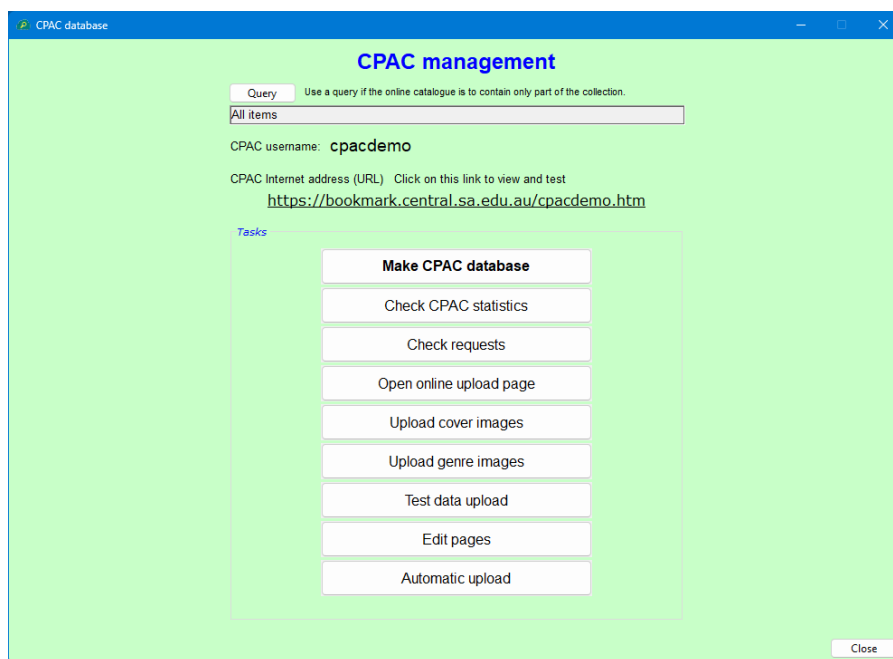
Setting up a free CPAC "website" is easy and quick. Once set up, the website can be modified. You can even make a custom design.

Example custom demo: <https://bookmark.central.sa.edu.au/lvas.htm>

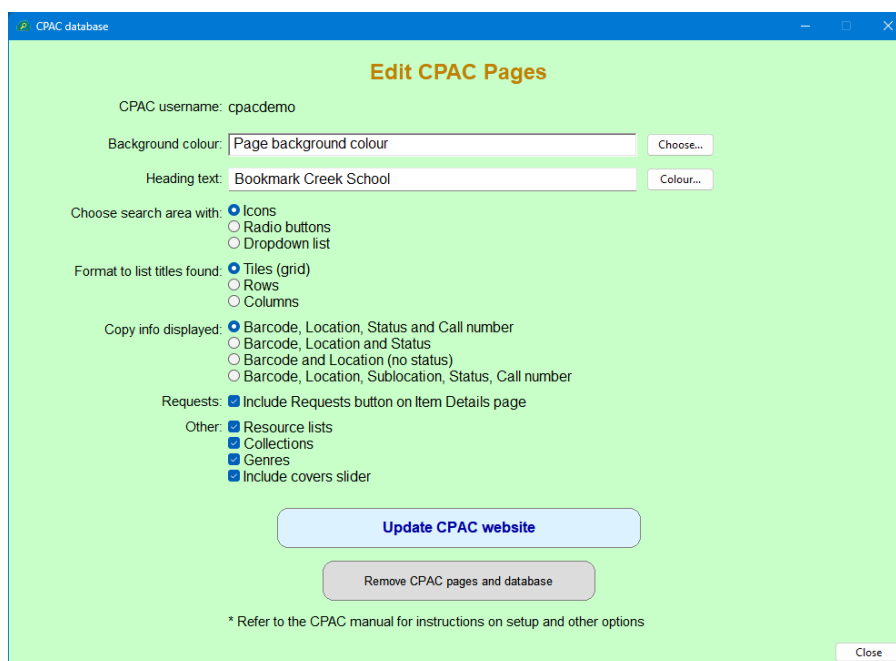
Here is a standard non-custom CPAC search page. This is what the search-entry page looks like when first created.



The CPAC menu has been slightly altered to allow changing this page.



Once a standard page has been created and data uploaded using **Make CPAC database**, the page can be altered using **Edit pages**.



The background colour can be changed. (Text is always black. A light background is best for contrast to improve colour acuity and readability.)

The heading – by default the name of the school or library – can be changed.

Search types can use icons (default) or radio buttons or a dropdown list.

Search results is a list of titles. By default, this is a “tile” approach with book covers prominent. Instead, rows or columns can be set.

Once selected, the copies of that title are presented. Four sets of details are available.

The Requests button is optional. It can be added or removed using the checkbox. If added, your users can make a request for a book or resource. (Note: this is not a reservation, simply a request. You can decide what to do with every request.)

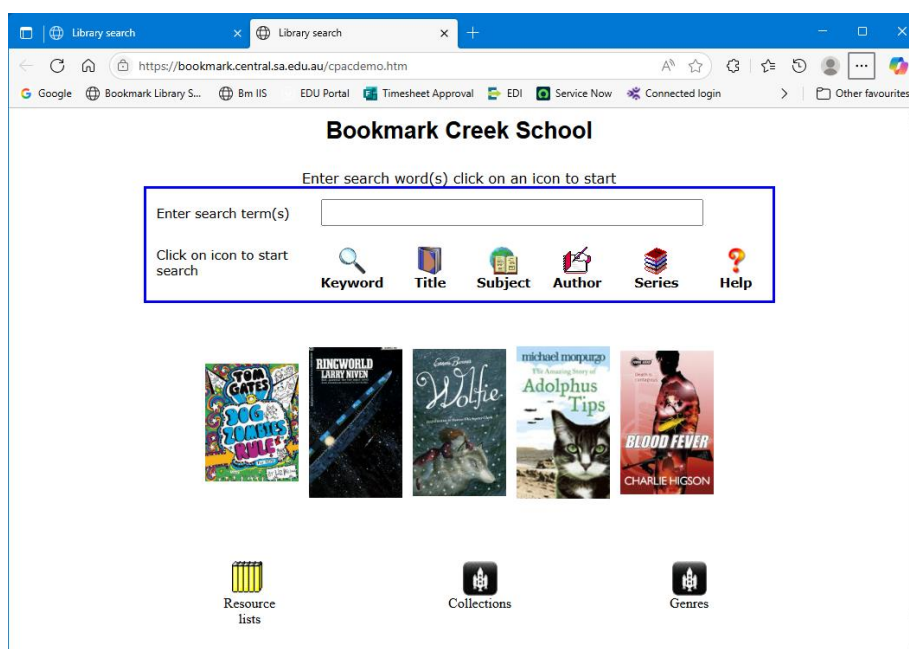
Four new functions can be added to the search-entry page:

- Resource lists. An icon allows access to any resource lists made available. Works the same as for Search and Webopac.
- Collections. An icon allows checking out collections.
- Genres. Another icon allows looking at genre categories if they have been set up.
- Slider. The book-cover slider used to highlight and promote books can be included on the page.

Every one of these is optional. Tick the checkbox to activate.

Click on **Update CPAC website** to put the changes in place.

Another button allows you to completely remove your CPAC website and database if you no longer wish to use it.



You can make changes to the pages at any time.

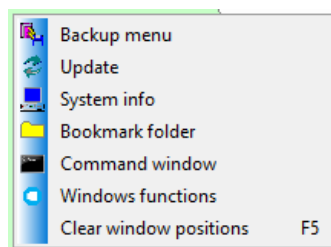
These new functions only apply to the standard page. If you have custom pages, contact the Bookmark help desk to have them made.

Tip: Re-centering Windows

Bookmark automatically keeps track of the screen position where each window was last closed. It re-opens the same window at the same spot. This is useful for those with two or three monitors. Each computer has its own position tracking.

It is possible to tell Bookmark to “put everything back in the centre”.

On the Main Menu, right-click anywhere to get a popup menu.



Click on Clear window positions. Or press the F5 key without the menu.

Bingo! All windows open in the middle of the main screen on all computers.

Tip: Changing Colours

Did you know you can change the background colours of Bookmark’s windows?

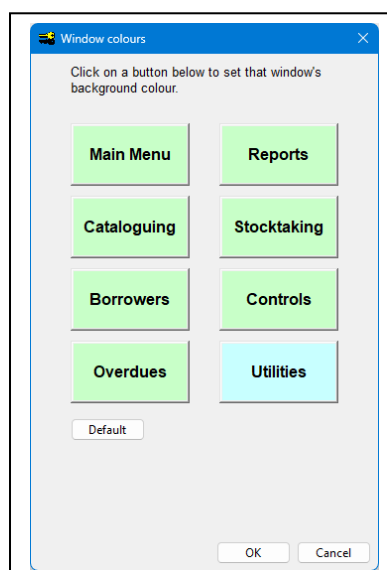
Every module can have its own distinct colour.

Open Controls.
Click on Settings.
Click on the Display tab at the top.
Click on **Set Background Colours**

Click on each module to set its background colour.

You can also set the colour of the large Buttons on menus.

Circulation Settings and Search settings allow changing colours in those areas, too.



Update Version Number

Updates can normally be made by

- Open Utilities
- Click on Update
- Click on Easy Update
- Follow the steps presented

In some cases, updates can be interfered with by hawkish anti-virus and security systems.

After updating, make sure the version number shown at the top left of the main menu is correct. For this update it is 10.9.8 (557). The number in brackets is the "build number". It can change for minor updates while the main version remains the same.



It is important the version number is correct after updating.

If the version does not change after updating, please contact the Bookmark help desk. There are other ways to update that may work.

