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**Subject:** draft 4 trade press - corrections and comments welcome

After almost 6 years with Unity Books Wellington Anna Applin has resigned as the buyer to take up a logistics position with the publisher Brookers from May. "Anna has the most enviable combination of talent and drive and I think people will agree that she leaves all of us in the dust. She is one of the truly versatile people on the top shelf of the NZ bookselling. She has a postgraduate dip in publishing from Whitireia and is widely acknowledged as having one of the best book-buying noses in the industry" said Tilly Lloyd, manager. "The shop has always been aware that she could have been head-hunted at any time by any sector of the industry but we hadn't anticipated the magnetic lure of the Brookers soccer team. This is a huge loss to us but fortunately she will be just down the road so we can maintain our friendships easily and Unity Books can continue to fuel her addiction to first editions".

Marcus Greville, with an excellent whakapapa in international bookselling involving Victoria Book Centre, Readings, a lengthy stint as buyer at Waterstones and for the past year library supplier as well as backup buyer at Unity Books, has cancelled his return to London. He ~~will~~ <sup>assumed</sup> the position of buyer and assistant manager on the day of his farewell party. In the uncontained elation the shop was immediately propelled into ~~its~~ <sup>another</sup> second late night indoor cricket match with spectacular bowling (involving forward rolls and [possibly, I left early] cartwheels) down the main aisle. The shop is unable to confirm that the wickets were Artemis Fowl backlist but can confirm that the bat was hand-made, utilising reinforced boxing from Marion Castree's inwards goods department. Backstage saw warm-up stoushes for the world book trade ping pong finals to be held when the Booksellers NZ conference is next in Wellington. These exhibition matches were held under the smiling portrait of shop founder Alan Preston and were ignited by vast quantities of remainder wine from Victoria, forming part of the shop efforts to adjust to BDNZ being pulled to Scoresby.

"Marcus is a rare gem and we know he will keep the shop well. He is both popular and savvy and brings unique cohesion to the role" said Lloyd. "Contrary to rumours, we are not concerned that in his private life he is a netball captain and Sci Fi geek as he also reads history and politics".

Sandy Lissaman, who has been a shop anchor throughout her undergrad & postgrad years in religious and political studies has taken over the robust library supply accounts.

The shop has had a very good first year in the co-ownership of Jo and Lawrie McColl (also owners of Unity Books Auckland) and Tilly Lloyd. Marcus Greville and Sandy Lissaman may be contacted immediately in their new roles. A farewell party to celebrate Anna Applin's remarkable influences on Unity Books and the wider trade will be held at the shop on Friday 28 April at 7pm on a welcome to all basis.

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