

To demonstrate the richness of the Radio National data and the possibilities for analysis provided by the Trove API, the Trove manager took to his digital shed and constructed a simple visualisation. [In a word](#) uses statistical techniques to select one word a month from stories broadcast by AM, PM and The World Today between 2003 and 2013. Details of the site and a related 'scoreboard' of ABC journalists who contributed to the programs, was retweeted by Mark Colvin, generating a [flurry of interest and comment](#).

Amongst the Twitterati

Trove made consecutive appearances on RN Drive's Friday-night Twitterati segment. On 25 April Liz Holcombe from the Australian War Memorial mentioned that Trove was harvesting content from Radio National. Within the hour, the segment itself had been added to Trove.

The screenshot shows a Twitter interface. At the top, the user profile for Tim Sherratt (@wragge) is visible, including a profile picture, name, handle, and a 'Following' button. The main text of the tweet reads: "And to complete the circle, @lizholcombe's interview on @RNDrive is already in @TroveAustralia: trove.nla.gov.au/version/207705...". Below the text are icons for Reply, Retweet, Favorite, and More. A 'RETWEET 1' section shows a small profile picture of Liz Holcombe. The timestamp is "7:50 PM - 25 Apr 2014". A light blue reply box contains the text "Reply to @wragge @lizholcombe @RNDrive". Below this is a reply from Liz Holcombe (@lizholcombe) dated "Apr 25", which says: "@wragge @RNDrive @TroveAustralia Ah, got to love the nicely finished circle. It is actually very cool that things get to Trove so quickly." The reply also has icons for Reply, Retweet, Favorite, and More.

The following week Liam Wyatt appeared and highlighted the Trove Manager's 'groovy' experiments with the Radio National data, pointing listeners to the [blog post](#) describing 'In a word'.

Our amazing volunteers

In the course of researching a blog post on [Trove's volunteers](#) for National Volunteer Week, Jess Drake uncovered a remarkable story. While the number of OCR corrections made by Trove users is astonishing in itself, one couple take their work further. They focus their corrections on serialised fiction – novels and short stories -- and once they have corrected a story, they download the text, convert it into a suitable format, and upload to Project Gutenberg Australia. To date they have contributed over 250 novels and short stories.

A new record

The record for number of visits in a day was broken on 13 May when 243,246 visitors found their way to Trove – more than triple the usual number. Investigations revealed that the source of this traffic boost was Reddit, where someone shared a [1988 newspaper](#) article about an ill-fated poodle named Cachi, whose fall from a 13th floor balcony in Buenos Aires resulted in the deaths of three people.

Why we do what we do

Sometimes feedback from Trove users really reminds us of the significance of what we do:

Would just love to say how awesome Trove is!

My dad who was raised in a children's home in Victoria, just said he wished he could get in touch with the newspaper that came out and took his photo, when he was 10 years old.

Jumped on Trove, typed in the name of the home, the newspaper and year! Bingo, within a few seconds, my dad now has the only photo taken of him during his childhood!

API developments

With the introduction of the new [Trove Help System](#) we have been able to add some extra features to our API documentation. These include galleries of [applications](#) and [experiments](#) using the API.

In the lead up to GovHack 2014, Tim Sherratt gave a brief introduction to Trove at the GovHack Data Jam on 17 June. The event was live-streamed and a [video of the presentation](#) is now available on YouTube. Slides from the presentation, [Trove – it's bigger on the inside](#), are also available.

[Austlit](#) is now using the Trove API to enrich their work entries with a list of related newspaper articles.

Twitter summary

Trove has gained more than 600 Twitter followers in the past three months. The highlight for the period was undoubtedly the news that *The Age* would be digitised in the new financial year. Retweeted 42 times, this tweet was ranked the most engaging tweet from Australian government Twitter accounts for 7 May.

Amongst the regular compliments and tweets of thanks, was this pair of tweets which indicates just how much Trove has changed newspaper research.



From April to June, Trove appeared 24 times in MeasuredVoice's list of 'Great Oz Gov Tweets'. This is a daily list of the fifty most engaging tweets from Australian government Twitter accounts. Our top-ranked tweets (listed below) are a diverse bunch, covering everything from Vegemite and Henry Lawson to bubblers.

Date	Subject	Ranking	Retweets	Favourites	Reach
16 April	Royal Tour 1927	46	7	4	40,380
17 April	Radio National	19	18	1	78,619
24 April	New newspapers	19	18	5	35,858
7 May	The Age is coming!	1	42	23	52,723
8 May	Germany's surrender WWII	33	9	2	34,267
13 May	Volunteer week	20	11	6	56,212
15 May	Miles Franklin shortlist	32	7	4	31,244

<u>19 May</u>	Jack Brabham	42	9	3	8,279
<u>20 May</u>	Library technicians	15	6	6	13,279
<u>22 May</u>	Kittens	19	17	4	21,923
<u>27 May</u>	Trove 6.1 coming	26	20	2	39,037
<u>28 May</u>	Trove 6.1 blog post	25	17	6	42,447
<u>29 May</u>	Refine search	49	5	5	28,575
<u>30 May</u>	Killer poodle on Reddit	27	12	7	12,226
<u>4 June</u>	National Cheese Day	21	8	4	13,111
<u>6 June</u>	D-Day	27	17	3	14,836
<u>13 June</u>	Vegemite	6	24	11	99,124
<u>16 June</u>	First female astronaut	39	7	3	14,055
<u>17 June</u>	Henry Lawson	9	18	10	41,538
<u>19 June</u>	Whale watching	43	5	3	53,075
<u>19 June</u>	Kitten	28	7	4	7,760
<u>20 June</u>	\$2 coin	34	6	4	8,665
<u>25 June</u>	Melbourne	29	8	6	15,433
<u>30 June</u>	Bubblers	4	42	10	71,292