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### OUR MISSION

*Our mission is to provide a dynamic service to our diverse clientele. We aim to meet and anticipate their needs by giving outstanding customer service which reflects the educational, cultural, technological and lifelong learning needs of our community.*

*Welcome 2014 !*

*May it be a bright and happy year for you all !*

*We have heaps of "Sizzling hot reads" just for summer !*

*Our TAFE and Glossop High School Students have resumed their studies and we wish them well for continued success in their chosen endeavours.*



*Happy "belated" Australia Day, hope you celebrated our great nation with family and friends.*

*We truly are the lucky country !*

### *AUSTRALIA'S HEATWAVES !!*

*Heatwaves in Australia are becoming more frequent, hotter and lasting longer because of climate change, a report released by the Climate Council says. The report states that heat records are now happening three times more often than cold records and that the number of hot days across Australia has more than doubled.*

*Roll on Winter !!*



Our wholehearted thanks to all our emergency Services and volunteers who worked so hard and long to protect people & property !

**WELL DONE !!**

Also thanks to the ABC radio on their comprehensive coverage of the fires that were ravaging the state.

Very reassuring to have updated information and fire warnings as they came to hand.

As always be vigilant and have a fire safe plan. If unsure of the situation please visit the CFS website .....

[www.cfs.sa.gov.au](http://www.cfs.sa.gov.au) OR Check out our March

"Get Savvy" Session on this topic !

**STAY ALERT and STAY SAFE !**

## GET SAVVY SESSIONS

*Have commenced !*

February topics included

Introduction to Android Tablets & Smartphones

Using eBay for the first time

Introduction to iPads

Email 101

## MARCH SESSIONS : now on

March 6th : Introduction to Windows 8

13th : Be Bushfire Ready

20th : Scams : Riverland Community  
Legal Service

27th : Introduction to Bead & Jewellery  
Making

**BOOK EARLY** to avoid disappointment !

Library Manager,  
Peter Ison introducing  
his 6th Feb session .  
“Android Tablets  
&  
Smartphones “



## BOOK LAUNCH

**Wednesday Feb 26th**

**2:30pm**

*Pam Griffin*



**Writer of**

***“Widow Makers”***

**at the Berri Library**

***Book Sales ~ Author Signing***

***Afternoon tea***

***COST: Free !***

***(Bookings appreciated !)***



## Storytime & Childrens Activities

**Thursdays 9:30 am term-time  
for children 0-5yrs**

**Easter eggcitement on  
Thursday April 10th !**





## AUDIO BOOKS

*Ghost Writer* by Val McDermid  
*Jenny Lopez has a Bad Week* by Lindsey Kelk  
*Seducing Simon* by Maya Banks  
*Agatha Raisin and the Wellspring of Death*  
 by M.C Beaton  
*Kiss Kiss* by Roald Dahl  
*Between the Lives* by Jessica Shirvington

## LARGE PRINT

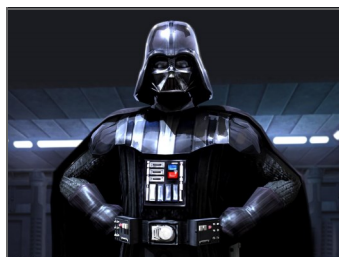
*Lost and Found* by Sheri Whitefeather  
*NYC Angels : Tempting Nurse Scartlet*  
 by Wendy S Marccus

## DVD's

*Kevin McCloud's Man  
 Made Home*  
*Disappearances*  
*One Direction*  
*Madagascar 3*  
*Despicable ME 2*  
*Flight*  
*Raid on Entebbe*  
*The Missouri Breaks*  
*Tarology : The Art of Tarot*  
*Sound of Bollywood*



Now  
 in.....



STAR WARS  
 ANNUAL 2014

May the force be with  
 you !!



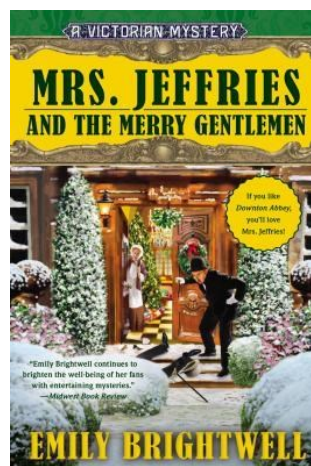
## NON-FICTION

*Kochie's Guide : How to Create  
 Wealth with Lots of Love and Laughs*  
 by David and Libby Koch  
*Lonely Planet Great Journeys*  
*The Birdwatcher* by William McInnes  
*Get Real !* by Michelle Bridges  
*The Great Race* by David Hill  
*Using Technology to find Family History* by Tammy Gagne  
*Ned Kelly* by Peter Fitzsimmons  
*Prostrate Recovery Map* by Craig Allingham  
*30-Second Astronomy* editor Francois Fressin  
*National Geographic That's Creepy !*

## CHILDREN'S

*The Gruffalo's Child Sound Book* by Julia Donaldson  
*Friends* by Eric Carle  
*Mary Wrightly, So Politely* by Shirin Yim Bridges  
*Wombat goes to School* by Jackie French  
*The Butterfly* by Anna Milbourne  
*Wibbly Pig picks a Pet* by Mick Inkpen  
*Wendy* by Gus Gordon  
*Jack and the FlumFlum Tree* by Julia Donaldson

If you love the TV Series  
 Downton Abbey.....  
 do try the book featured  
 below



*"Mrs Jeffries and the Merry  
 Gentleman !!"*

by Emily  
 Brightwell



# NEW ITEMS

## THRILLER



*Revenge* by Martina Cole

*Confessions of a Murder Suspect*

by James Patterson

*Rules of Honour* by Matt Hilton

*Hostage* by Kay Hooper

## HORROR

*Doctor Sleep* by Stephen King

*A Dance of Cloaks* by David Dalglish

*Wolf Creek : Origin* by Greg McLean

*Wolf Creek : Desolation Game* by Greg McLean

## FANTASY

*A Blink on the Screen* by Terry Pratchett

*Unearthly* by Cynthia Hand



## MYSTERY

*The October List* by Jeffery Deaver

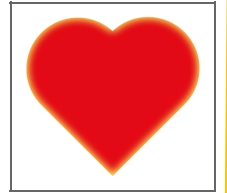
*Command Authority* by Tom Clancy

*Death of a Macho Man* by M.C Beaton

*Death of a Dentist* by M.C Beaton



## ROMANCE



*Stella Bain* by Anita Shreve

*Addicted* by Charlotte Featherstone

*One More Slip* by Marion Von Adlerstein

## SCIENCE FICTION

*Ride the Star Winds* by A. Bertram Chandler

*Star Wars Scoundrels* by Timothy Zahn

*Great North Road* by Peter F Hamilton



## AUSTRALIAN

*Silent Kill* by Peter Corris

*Outback Stations* by Evan McHugh

*The Girl in the Yellow Vest* by Loretta Hill

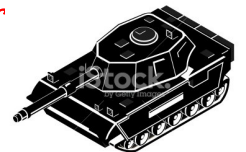


## WAR

*In Great Spirits : The WWI Diary of*

*Archie Barwick* by Archie Barwick

*King and Maxwell* by David Baldacci



## HISTORICAL

*Katherine* by Anya Seton

*The Tournament* by Matthew Reilly

*The Pagan Lord* by Bernard Cornwell

*The Rebel Princess* by Judith Koll Healey



## MICHAEL SCHUMACHER

*"The Edge of Greatness" by James Allen*

This title is on our shelf, a great read to appreciate the many achievements and celebrate the life of seven times World Champion and F1 legend, Michael Schumacher.

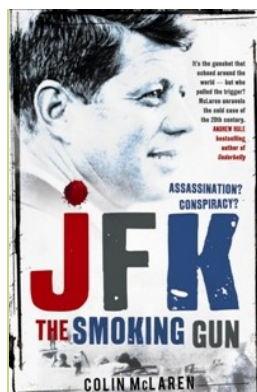
The recent tragic accident whilst skiing with his son in the French resort of Meribel has shocked everyone.

Michael is stable in an induced coma.



*JUST  
ARRIVED !!*

*"JFK  
The  
Smoking Gun"  
By Colin McLaren*



## PRESIDENT JF KENNEDY

*November 22nd 1963* rings a bell (with some of us !) the day JFK was assassinated !!

The 50 year anniversary last year, has again heightened speculation about his tragic death.

This book has a conspiracy element, and is quite controversial, so if you are interested, this could be your kind of book !!

## SUMMER PET CARE

Australians are known to be a pet-loving nation and are very passionate about caring for their family of pets, here are a few tips to ensure they too enjoy and survive our hot weather !



- ♦ Always leave plenty of water available
- ♦ Provide shade where possible
- ♦ Never leave your pet alone in a closed car
- ♦ Don't walk dogs in the hottest part of the day
- ♦ Keep a spray bottle of water handy for spritzing your pet
- ♦ Look out for signs of heat exhaustion

: rapid panting

: weakness

: anxiety

: dizziness

: diarrhoea / vomiting

: muscle spasms

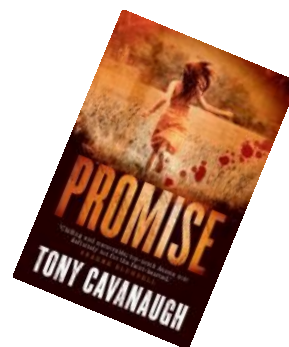


***Ratlines* by Stuart Neville**

It is 1963 in Ireland and Lieutenant Albert Ryan is an ex-soldier now working for the Irish Directorate of Intelligence and he is asked by his boss to meet with Charles Haughey. Haughey tells Ryan that he is to investigate a spate of murders of foreign nationals living in Ireland the nationals are ex-Nazis who have escaped Germany after the end of WW2 and were re-settled in Ireland with the help of the Irish Government. He insists it is an urgent task because President John F Kennedy is soon to visit and the government doesn't want anything to cloud the visit like that Ireland is sheltering war criminals!. Albert starts to look into the murders and begins to question his loyalties when he has to work closely with Colonel Otto Skorzeny, Hitler's favourite commando who it seems could be the next target. As the latest victim had a note addressed to Skorzeny saying 'We are coming for you. Await our call.'

Albert Ryan suspects that the murders are the work of a revenge group extracting payback from the Nazis for the war crimes they managed to get away with. It is not long before Ryan realises that there just might be more to it!

This is an interesting and intelligent historical thriller set in Ireland during the early 1960's. I would highly recommend it if you like books by Robert Ryan, Sam Eastland, Adrian McGinty etc.

***Promise* by Tony Cavanaugh**

The story is set on the Sunshine Coast where ex-Melbourne homicide detective, Darian Richards is living after retiring early some 12 months before. Darian now lives in a ramshackle fishing shack on the Noosa River and spends his evenings trying to forget some of the things that he experienced in his 16 years as a top detective in Melbourne. His idyllic lifestyle is shattered when he decides that the local cops aren't doing enough about six girls who have gone missing from the Sunshine Coast in the last 12 months.

There seems to be a clever serial killer on the loose and Darian vows to bring him down. Darian has no intention of letting the cops into his own private investigation because he wants to find the killer and make him disappear permanently!

Thus begins a battle between the serial killer named "Promise" and Darian Richards. Darian recruits some ex-criminal friends he knew in Melbourne to help and it is not long before he has a solid lead. Trouble is, Promise is still on the hunt for new victims and will strike again soon. Can Darian Richards save another young girl from being Promise's next target?

This book is pretty raw Australian Crime. Great to read a story for once that is set in an environment we can relate to, the Sunshine Coast. Tony Cavanaugh knows how to write and he really immerses the reader in the main characters. In one chapter you are reading about Darian Richards and what makes him tick, the next Cavanaugh has put you in the evil mind of Promise, an elusive cold and calculating serial killer. I can't really tell you much more because I don't want to spoil the story but I will say that this book is not for the faint hearted – it can be gruesome at times.

You probably need to be a bit of a dedicated crime fiction reader to enjoy this story but having said that, this is a really good read!

***The Intercept* by Dick Wolf**

The Intercept is first in a new series of thrillers featuring NYPD Intelligence Division detective Jeremy Fisk.

The story begins in 2009 with Fisk involved in the surveillance of a suspected terrorist in New York called Bassam Shah. The capture of Shah goes spectacularly wrong but the threat is averted. The story then moves to 2011 at Ramstein Airbase in Germany and Fisk is part of a special intelligence gathering team sent to evaluate the contents of Osama Bin Ladens hideout that had been removed from Pakistan by Seal Team Six after they had assassinated him.

Really these two events just set the scene for the main story that takes place a few years later (after 2009). A Scandinavian Airlines passenger jet, on route to Boston, is almost hijacked over the Atlantic Ocean by a lone terrorist but for the bravery of a crew member and 5 passengers who take it upon themselves to jump the terrorist and save the day.

The plane is diverted to Bangor Airport and Fisk and his team from the Counter Terrorism Unit of the NYPD are one of the many Federal authority's sent to investigate. It is not long before Fisk begins to suspect that the failed attempt to blow up the plane by a seemingly lone terrorist may be just a diversion for something much more sinister. Especially with July Fourth holiday and the dedication of One World Trade Centre at Ground Zero only a few days away. Fisks' girlfriend, Krina Gersten, also from the Counter Terrorism Unit, gets the job of babysitting "The Six" who are now being revered around the US as the heroes who saved SAS flight 903.

Jeremy Fisk reports his suspicions to his boss but is only taken more seriously when a passenger from the same plane, a Saudi Arabian national, disappears into the crowds of Manhattan. Fisk, who is a multi-talented investigator who speaks Arabic, and has the knack of being able to think like his opponents, suspects that there is an even bigger plot at play and sets out to uncover it.

**MORE GOOD SUMMER READS'**

With our new one card network, you can reserve online and pick up at your local library !!

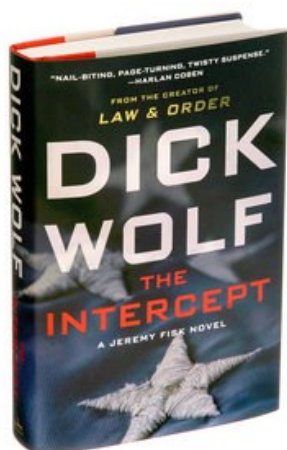
*A Hundred Summers* by Beatriz Williams

*The Last Summer of the Camperdowns* by Elizabeth Kelly

*Imperfect Bliss* by Susan Fales-Hill

*Fly Away Home* by Jennifer Weiner

*The Kitchen Daughter* by Jael McHenry





## TRIAL of New Opening Hours

Monday	8:30am - 5:00pm
Tuesday	8:30am - 6:00pm
Wednesday	8:30am - 5:00pm
Thursday	8:30am - 7:00pm
Friday	8:30am - 5:00pm
Saturday	9:00am - 12 noon

## Reminder

Children under 10 years  
need to be accompanied by  
an adult in the Library.



## ARE YOU INTERESTED IN JOINING OUR BOOKGROUP ???



We have an interesting agenda for the year and also use social outings regularly for our meetings.  
**ALL WELCOME !** Enquiries, Merridy Rady



## WATERMELON SMOOTHIE Serves 1

### Ingredients

- 2 cups Watermelon (cubed seedless)
- 1/3 cup plain Greek Yoghurt (reduced-fat)
- 2 tablespoons chopped mint

### Preparation

Mix all together in blender & serve with mint leaf sprig on the side.

**KEEP COOL and FRESH**  
with this great drink !  
Easy to make too !



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## Thought for the Day !

A PERFECT SUMMER DAY IS WHEN THE SUN IS  
SHINING, THE BREEZE IS BLOWING,  
THE BIRDS ARE SINGING,  
.....AND THE LAWN MOWER IS BROKEN.

JAMES DENT

