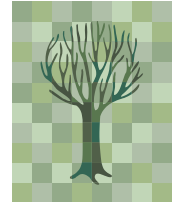




# BLIC BLURB

Winter Issue



## WINTER WARMERS

**Remember, you're never too old to jump in puddles !**



**Berri Barmera COUNCIL**



## SEPTEMBER GET SAVVY SESSIONS

Photography 101

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**Have you seen our new outdoor furniture ?**

**The table & chairs were erected in front of the library and benches along the side. Hopefully with the sun still coming out to warm & brighten our winter days the new furniture will have lots of use now and in the future.**

**Also, yes you may have noticed our new updated front counter freshening our library up in time for spring, just around the corner !**

**Hope you enjoy this winter issue.**

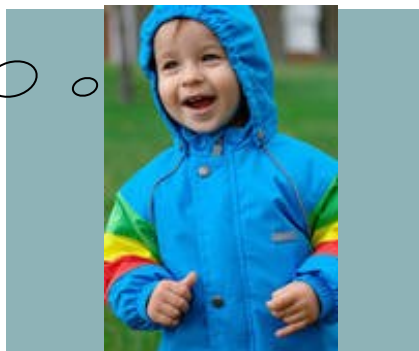
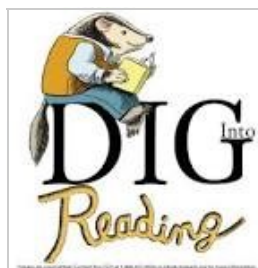


**Penny & Morgan Arnold, of Monash, enjoying the new facility.**



**I'm not lazy I'm just on my energy saving mode**

Pre-Schoolers, come along for Thursday fun story time, singing & craft activities ! 9:30am (term-time)



**Toddler Behaviours with**

**Val Fewster**

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**Android & iPad Tablets with**

**Peter**

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## **IN FALLING SNOW :**

**by Mary-Rose MacColl**

## **BOOK REVIEWS**

*A truly captivating story, transporting us from present day Australia back in time to 1914 Paris, covering the horrors of World War One.*

*With strong female characters, working as nurses, Drs and ambulance drivers, life revolves around the old Abbey of Royaumont transformed into a Field Hospital and caring for the never ending line of wounded soldiers only 25 miles from the front line !*

*With time, all secrets and regrets emerge and can change the fact, that you think you know some one but actually don't !*

*Through generations the ramifications linger.....*

*The perfect winter companion for a cold chilly night !*

## **THE LIE :**

**by Helen Dunmore**

*Set in Cornwall in 1920, this novel has 3 characters who are all affected in some way by The Great War.*

*Daniel Branwell returns to the small coastal village in Cornwall where he grew up, he has trouble fitting in as he suffers from the after effects of the war and has Post Traumatic Stress Disorder. (PTSD) During the war he witnesses the death of his childhood friend Frederick Dennis and on his return to the village he is reacquainted with Frederick's sister Felicia Fearne. Felicia is now a war widow with a young child born whilst her husband was away fighting in the war.*

*Without a home to go to Daniel lives in makeshift accommodation on old Mary Pascoe's property. When the old lady dies he buries her on the property in much the same manner a soldier is buried in war, he then moves in to her cottage. His actions after her death bring about some consequences that he fails to foresee. This relates to the title of the book-The Lie.*

*You will need to read on to discover the consequences of the lies that are told.*

*There are many themes dealt with here....the effects of war, relationships and class difference. An excellent choice if you are interested in the war theme or involved in a book discussion group, both the layout and style of writing together with the content of the book would provide extensive scope for analysis and discussion.*



## THE PINK SUIT :

by Nicole Mary Kelby

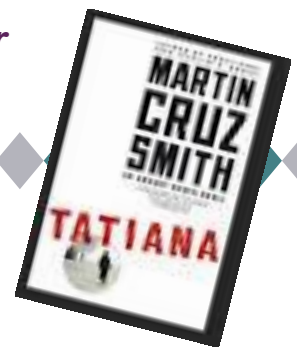
## BOOK REVIEWS

*A clever novel capturing the fascination we have for Jacqueline Kennedy and her so called charmed life before it was tragically shattered by the assassination of her husband President J.F Kennedy in 1966 in Texas.*

*The storyline hinges on the iconic Chanel style pink suit Jackie was wearing on that fateful day, depicting the politics of the era and also behind the scenes of the black market fashion industry. Jacque is referred to as "the wife" A good part of the book was explaining the millinery side, very interesting if you have a passion for fabric. A young Irish lass, Kate is one of the resident seamstresses who seems to have an obsession with the exquisite fabric and "the wife".*

*Kate's life seems to be on hold for this very reason.*

*This book actually improves greatly in the second half, after establishing the lengthy groundwork..... there is a story !*



## TATIANA :

by Martin Cruz Smith

*Arkady Renko is a famous investigator that some of you may remember if you have read the book or seen the movie of Gorky Park? Gorky Park was obviously set in Communist era but this is the new Russia, steeped in corruption and secrecy.*

*Arkady and his alcoholic partner Victor Orlov are attending the funeral of a big shot mob millionaire Grisha Grigo-renko who has been murdered. They are not really there to pay their respects, just to take photos of the mourners, hoping that they may help with the murder investigation.*

*On leaving the funeral, Arkady gets caught up in protest march for Tatiana Petrovna a famous and uncompromising television reporter who had committed suicide the week before. He stays with the protest because his sometimes girl friend, Anya also happens to be there and when the protest turns violent he ends up being beaten and almost arrested.*

*Arkady's girlfriend convinces Arkady to investigate the suicide of Tatiana and in doing so, Arkady stumbles across a now dead translators notebook written in code that seems to have come from a remote beach near the old 'Cold War' secret city of Kaliningrad. Why is it that everybody seems to be chasing the notebook and how is a murdered dead mobster linked? Has what Tatiana was investigating anything to do with it? Arkady listens to her audio tapes he finds in Tatanas apartment hoping for more clues and ends up being infatuated with the now dead reporter.*

*Well written with enough sub plots to keep you guessing this is a very good read from Martin Cruz Smith.*

## DVDs

- \* **Alex Cross**
- \* **Hansel & Gretel**
- \* **The Lone Ranger**
- \* **A Good Day to Die Hard**
- \* **Freezer**
- \* **Night Train to Lisbon**



- \* **The Doctor Blake Mysteries Season 2**
- \* **BombGirls Season 2**
- \* **George Gently Series 6**

## NON-FICTION

**NEW**

**Diary of a Foreign Minister** by Bob Carr

**The complete Handbook of Coaching** 2nd Ed

**The Baby Names Almanac 2014**

**Complete Guide to Natural Home Remedies**

*by National Geographic*

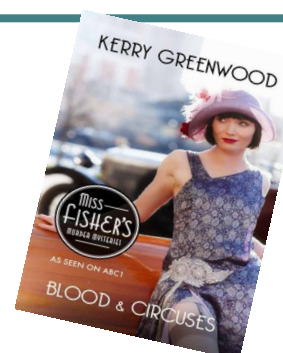
**Living Legends : True tales of Extraordinary**

**Old-Timers** by Sandy Thorne

**Ballroom Dancing Step by Step**

## LARGE PRINT

**Blood and Circuses** by Kerry Greenwood



**Sea Robber** by Tim Severin

**The Mask of Troy** by David Gibbons

**Scandal in Prior's Ford** by Eve Houston

**The Twenty Year Itch** by Linda Kelsey

**The Memory Box** by Sarah Webb

**Top Secret Twenty-One** by Janet Evanovich

**Improper Relations** by Janet Mullany



## ADULT FICTION

# NEW



**Golden Buddha** by Clive Cussler  
**Ghost Ship** by Clive Cussler  
**Cut to the Chase** by Ray Scott  
**Theodore Boone : the Activist** by John Grisham



**Legion and the Emperors Soul**  
 by Brandon Sanderson  
**Prince of Fools** by Mark Lawrence



**Want you Dead** by Peter James  
**Lie Down with Lions** by Ken Follett  
**The Third Twin** by Ken Follett  
**Though not Dead** by Dana Stabenow



**How to lose a Duke in ten days** by Laura Lee Guhrke  
**Goodbye Piccadilly** by Cynthia Harrod-Eagles  
**The Darkest Hour** by Barbara Erskine



**A Chain of Thunder** by Jeff Shaara  
**Kokoda Air Strikes** by Anthony Cooper  
**Gardens of Hell** by Patrick Gariepy



**Red Sand Sunrise** by Fiona McArthur  
**Billabong Bend** by Jennifer Scoullar  
**The Road to Gundagai** by Jackie French

**GREAT  
 BOOK  
 +  
 HOT CUPPA  
 =  
 WINTER  
 BLISS !**



## RECENT HAPPENINGS



*Our July Get Savvy Sessions were of a much more relaxed nature.*

*Courses included*

- ♦ *Photography 101*
- ♦ *Intro to Beading & Jewellery Making*
- ♦ *Email 101*
- ♦ *Gardening : Getting started !*
- ♦ *Astrology & you*

**Next  
Get Savvy Sessions  
"September"**

*Already we have waiting lists for more follow-up courses.  
Remember to book early to avoid disappointment.*

## GOOD WINTER READS



*Thirteenth Reasons Why* by Jay Asher  
*Her Fearful Symmetry* by Audrey Duffenegers

*The Imperfectionists* by Tom Rachman

*Bittersweet* by Sarah Ockler

*Olive Kitteridge* by Elizabeth Strout

*Fall of Giants* by Ken Follet

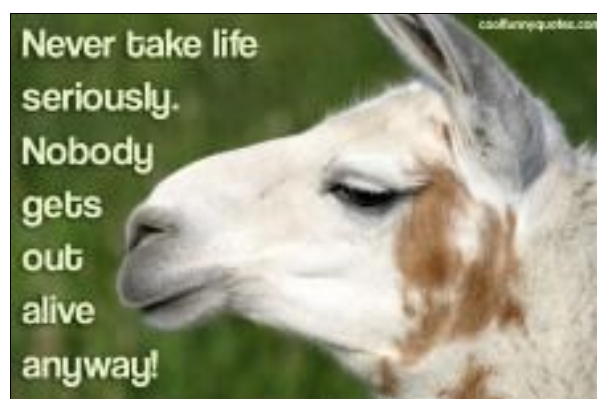
*In the Woods* by Tana French

*The Fault in our Stars* by John Green

*Its just the best time of the  
year to curl up in a big  
comfy chair under a warm  
rug with a great book !*



**HUMOUR IS THE BEST MEDICINE**



## WORKING FAMILIES ~ BUSY PEOPLE ~ TIME POOR



*The latest craze is Slow Cookers.*

*Prepare the night before, turn on in the morning and come home to the welcoming aroma of home cooking !*

*Look in our Cooking section (641.5) for great winter recipes ~ soups , pies and casseroles, as well as Slow Cooker information & tasty recipes.*



## CHILDREN'S CORNER

### WHAT'S NEW ??



***Dinosaur Roar !** by Paul Stickland*

***This is a Moose** by Richard T Morris*

***Mr Brown can Moo ! Can you !** by Dr Seuss*

***Chu's First Day at School** by Neil Gaiman*

***A Bug called Doug** by Chris Collin*

***My Lucky Little Dragon***

***(Boardbook) by Joyce Wan***

***The Adventures of Beekle the Unimaginary Friend***

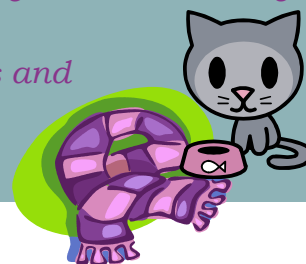
*by Dan Santat*

***REMEMBER :***

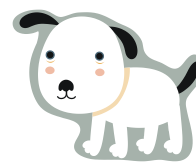
***BOOKWEEK 16th Aug—22nd Aug***

***THEME : "Connect to Reading"***

*Come along in August and see our great display of nominated books and winning titles !*



***We have books for children on Caring for their pets !***





# WINTER

## Hints to survive the *chills* of winter



can be quite depressing, so make sure you soak up as much good old natural Riverland sunlight as possible, or take a supplement of Vitamin D tablets. (check with your Dr if on other medications )

- ♦ Wash hands often, avoid people with colds and flu symptoms, stay active during the day to assure your right amount of sleep overnight.
- ♦ Household and Workplace heating can dry out your skin, so make sure you use a moisturiser.
- ♦ Make sure doors to unused rooms are shut, door snakes are a good idea to stop draughts, Insulate if you are able (even bubble wrap has been used !)
- ♦ Drop thermostat gradually to help cut costs, put on extra layers of clothing & bring out the family favourite rugs !
- ♦ Invest in a good pair of slippers or “Uggies”
- ♦ Have candles and torch in accessible location in case of power outage.
- ♦ Drive with your lights on especially on overcast and rainy days, take extra care on slippery roads.

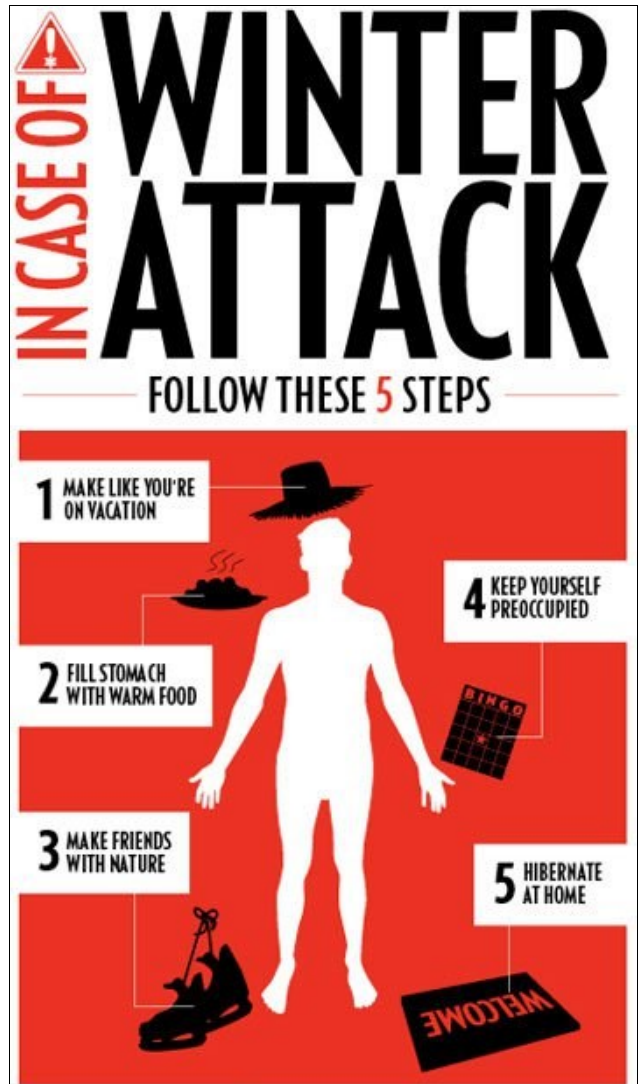
**IF ALL ELSE FAILS.....**

**GO NORTH FOR THE WINTER**



Keep warm and  
remember .....

Spring is just  
around the Corner !



*We have a large section of computer books especially for Seniors, please ask at the desk.*

*Don't forget to pick up your free copy of the Senior Newspaper on our "updated" front counter !*

