



Berri Library & Information Centre

# BLIC Blurb



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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.*

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## HERE COMES CHRISTMAS !! Ready or not ??

**Happy Holidays to  
you all ! May it be  
a "Berri Berri happy  
Christmas and most of  
all....a safe one !**



## CHRISTMAS CLOSURE

*2:00pm 24th December Christmas Eve until  
Thursday 2nd January 2014 at 8:30am*

## NEWS FLASH...NEWS FLASH...NEWS FLASH...

*Trial of new opening Times for first term!!*

*As from Monday 16th December :*

*Every day opening hours 8:30am - 5:00pm*

**EXCEPT** \* *Tuesday 8:30am - 6:00pm*

\* *Thursday 8:30am - 7:00pm*

\* *Saturday 9:00am - 12:00 pm*

\* *Sunday - CLOSED*



## CHILDREN'S HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

Thursdays 2:30 pm on.....

19th Dec. : **Christmas Craft**

2nd Jan. :

9th Jan : **Science & Magic**

16th Jan :

23rd Jan :



**If you're a "cool dude" you'll  
be there !!**

## OUR YEAR

2013 has been a hectic year for staff with the much awaited arrival of our One Card System, as well as implementing an array of free community workshops, which have been well received by the public. We celebrated Book Week, History Week, just to name a few !! During term-time, as well as our weekly Children's Activity we also cater for the elderly, through an outreach program to the Berri Cottage Homes. As the year draws to a close, we thank you for your patronage and making the library a special place to be !



**To borrow items from around the state, access eBooks on overdrive or use our online resources you now need a pin.**

**As part of our move to the new state-wide One Card System on 17th October 2013, you have now been assigned a Personal Identification Number (PIN)**

**Your PIN is required if you :**

**Want to place "holds" on items using the new Enterprise Online Catalogue.**

**OR**

**Borrow eBooks and/or digital audiobooks on the SA Overdrive Catalogue**

**OR**

**Access online resources (databases) like Press Display, World Book Encyclopedia, Carters Price Guide to Antiques etc.**

**Your PIN will usually be your Date of Birth (DOB) in the following format :**

**YYYYMMDD**

**If this doesn't work, you will need to contact Berri Library on 85952666 or Barmera Library On 85882872 to request a new PIN.**

**You can change your initial PIN to suit you from within Enterprise.....**

**Access these services on the Internet from :**

**[www.berribarmeralibrary.org.au](http://www.berribarmeralibrary.org.au)**

**( Please keep your details confidential )**



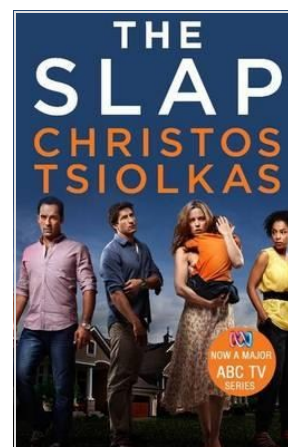
**\*\*\*\*\* Please remember \*\*\*\*\***  
**your "holds"(reserves) are now only held on the shelf for**  
***10 DAYS,***  
**before item/s returned.**



## **BOOKS/MOVIES**

*( of the same title )*

*If you enjoyed the ABC series "The Slap", you will definitely enjoy the book !!*



*Please enquire at the desk or go online to discover more of your favourite series/movies in book form, audio or ebook !*

## AUDIO BOOKS



## LARGE PRINT



*Fall from Grace* by Richard North Patterson  
*Stringer on the Assassins' Trail* by Lou Cameron  
*Unseen* by Karin Slaughter  
*Doctor Who : The Empty House*  
*Merlin and the Ring of Power*

## DVD's

*Endeavour : The Origins of Inspector Morse*  
*Accidental Hero*  
*Mr & Mrs Murder Series One*  
*DCI Banks Series One*  
*This is 40 : Knocked up*  
*Cyclone Tracy*  
*The Guilt Trip*  
*Anna Karenina*  
*Fast & Furious*  
*Star Trek into Darkness*



## CD's

*Beautiful Hollywood*  
*Living in the 70's Vol. 2*  
*Pure Legends*  
*Every Man Should Know* by Harry Connick Jr.  
*Departures* by Bernard Fanning  
*Heart of Nowhere* by Noah and the Whale



*The Miner's Lady* by Tracie Peterson  
*The Longest Ride* by Nicholas Sparks  
*Where I belong* by Helen Scott Taylor  
*Destiny Calling* by Chrissie Loveday  
*Falling* by Olivia Liberty  
*Confessions :The Private School Murders* by James Patterson

## NON-FICTION

*Arthur Phillip: Sailor Mercenary Governor Spy* by Michael Pembroke  
*The Top Gear Years* by Jeremy Clarkson  
*How to Speak Dog* by National Geographic  
*Save with Jamie* by Jamie Oliver  
*Secret Weapons of World War 2* by Brian J. Ford  
*Australia's Finest Golf Courses* by Darius Oliver  
*Understanding Parkinson's Disease*  
*Women's Health Guide* by Aleeza Zohar  
*Through the Farm Gate : A life on the land* by Angela Goode

## CHILDREN'S

*In the Nest* by Anna Milbourne  
*A Small Ferret wrote this Book* by Rebecca Elliott  
*NO-BOT The Robot with No Bottom* by Sue Hendra  
*Who's Afraid of the Big Bad Book ?* by Lauren Child  
*Penguins Can't Fly !* by Richard Byrne  
*Troll Swap* by Leigh Hodgkinson  
*Maisy Grows a Garden* by Lucy Cousins  
*Pip,Pip, Hooray!* by Hachette Children's Books





## NEW ITEMS GENRE'S



### THRILLER

*Police* by Jo Nesbo  
*The Prey* by Tony Park  
*Vicious Circle* by Wilbur Smith  
*The Wrong Man* by David Ellis  
*Sweet Talk* by Julie Garwood  
*The Third Bullet* by Stephen Hunter  
*Good as Gone* by Douglas Corleone  
*Love Story, with Murders* by Harry Bingham

### FANTASY

*The Thicket* by Joe R Lansdale  
*The Dresden Files : Cold Days* by Jim Butcher  
*At the Gates of Darkness* by Raymond E. Feist  
*The King of Craggs* by Stephen Deas  
*The Black Mausoleum* by Stephen Deas



### MYSTERY

*The Sleep Room* by F.R Talli  
*The Last Kiss Goodbye* by Karen Robard  
*Wrongful Death* by Lynda LaPlante  
*The Grab* by Gordon Landsborough  
*"W" is for Wasted* by Sue Grafton

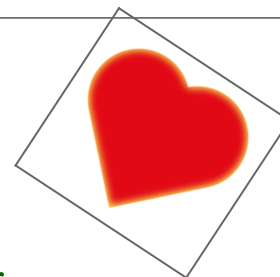


### HORROR

*Night Witches* by L.J Adlington  
*The Shadowhunter's Codex* by Cassandra Clare

### ROMANCE

*True Love* by Jude Deveraux  
*The Bookstore* by Deborah Meyler  
*Dancing in the Moonlight* by Rita Bradshaw  
*Yew Tree Gardens* by Anna Jacobs  
*The Winter Sea* by Di Morrissey  
*The Tailor's Girl* by Fiona McIntosh  
*Bridget Jones : Mad about the Boy* by Helen Fielding



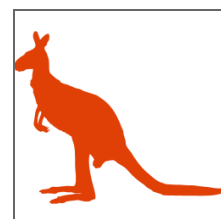
### SCIENCE FICTION

*Dragon Ship* by Sharon Lee  
*Torchwood: Exodus Code* by John Barrowman



### AUSTRALIAN

*Darkening Skies* by Bronywon Parry  
*Bittersweet* by Colleen McCullough  
*Zero at the Bone* by David Whish-Wilson  
*Home before Sundown* by Barbara Hannay  
*Currawong Creek* by Jennifer Scoullar



### WAR

*Rising Sun* by Robert Conroy  
*The Crossroad : A Story of Life, Death and the SAS* by Mark Donaldson, VC  
*Gallipoli a Ridge too Far* by Ashley Ekins



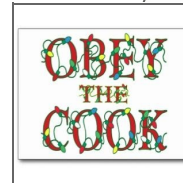
### WESTERNS

*The Mammoth Book of Westerns*  
*The Longest Ride* by Nicholas Sparks  
*The Great Yellowstone Steamboat Race* by Robert J. Steelman



## CHRISTMAS RECIPES !!

From the traditional turkey fare to the egg nog ! Truffles, christmas cake and puddings, mince pies, and shortbread our Christmas Collection has it all !



## Hints on how to survive Christmas !!

by Dr. Luisa Dillner



- \* Don't overspend
- \* Drink in moderation
- \* Be prepared !
- \* Don't fight with your spouse
- \* Stop the stress
- \* Enjoy eating
- \* Keep the kids safe (esp. near the pool)
- \* Think of others and feel better about yourself !







## *A Week in Winter by Maeve Binchy*

This title has been on our shelves for a little while and I have seen the book many times come in and out of the library, the cover always stirred my interest. However it wasn't until I was visiting Adelaide and there it was .....larger than life , the book cover advertised on the back of a bus ! So after that it was fate and I felt compelled to read

“A Week in Winter” !!

This was a “feel good” book filled with chapters on individual characters staying at Stone House the week of it's opening. The private cliff house had been lovingly transformed into a stylish Guest house. The setting is the rugged west coast of Ireland, with a raging Atlantic ocean.

Stone House has an affect on all of the occupants, whether staff or lodgers that stay “a week in winter” and transform their lives with maybe even a touch of good old Irish luck !!

A nice wholesome read to put a smile on your face and know that its never too late for anyone to change their life and start anew !



## **TEENAGE BOOK REVIEW**

### *The Wrong Boy by Suzy Zail*

*This is Suzy Zail's first work of fiction for teenagers.*

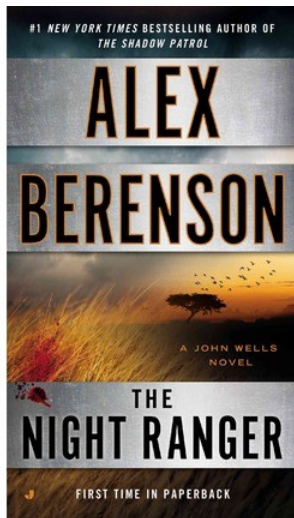
*It was short-listed in the Book of the Year in the 2013 Children's Book Council of Australia Awards in the Older Reader category.*

*Teenager Hanna Mendel dreams of becoming a concert pianist, however because she is Jewish her life takes a very different path to the one she has planned. Her sister Erica and her parents were herded into cattle trucks and transported to Auschwitz. Zail's father was a holocaust survivor and she draws on information gained from him to write about the harsh treatment of the prisoner.*

*Hanna utilizes her talent as a pianist ; she is selected to play for the Commandment on a regular basis. Her sister Erica is not so lucky. Hanna develops an attachment to Karl, the Commandant's son, they both have a love of music and he helps her supply food to Hanna and the prisoners. When the Germans flee the area, Hanna and her sister Erica are once again free, but what direction will their lives now take ?*

*Racism, romance, historical fiction and quality writing are words that come to mind when describing this book for both teenage girls as well as boys.*





### *The Night Ranger by Alex Berenson*

This is Alex Berenson 7<sup>th</sup> John Wells novel and begins with the kidnap of a group of 4 young American aid workers in Kenya. They are on summer break and working for WorldCares/ChildrenFirst at the Hagadera camp just outside Dadaab in eastern Kenya, which is close to the Somali border.

One of the kidnap victims, Gwen Murphy, has a sister who happens to be friends with Evan, John's alienated son. John and Evan have never talked much and Evan has always viewed John as a vigilante or even a war criminal who just happens to work for the CIA. It is not long though, before Evan phones his Dad and asks for help on behalf of Gwen Murphy's family. John would never usually get involved but because he wants to reconnect with his son, he agrees to travel to Kenya to try and find the kidnapped victims.

John leaves his idyllic farm in New Hampshire and takes the first flight to Kenya where he begins to investigate. After talking to the CEO of WorldCares, James Thompspon, Wells begins to suspect that the kidnapping may have been set up but he needs to confirm this. He enlists the help of his old CIA boss to do some digging and travels to the Hagadera camp, where the kidnap victims were last seen. Soon John Wells finds himself in harms way and really I can't tell you too much more without giving away the story.

Needless to say John experiences a few hiccups along the way and there is plenty of intrigue and action!

A good solid read that I would recommend to mystery and action fans. If you have read the John Wells series before you definitely need to read this. If you have not (and I had not read any Alex Berenson before), it was still an enjoyable read.







## CHRISTMAS IN THE LIBRARY !

Thankyou to Dane Carroll who again ,this year volunteered to decorate our tree in the foyer and bring some Christmas magic to our patrons and staff.

Well done Dane , the tree looks terrific !



## CHRISTMAS IN AUSTRALIA

SEAFOOD BBQ PAVLOVA

BIKINI'S SUNSHINE SURFING

FOOTY BACKYARD CRICKET

CAMPING SWIMMING BOARDSHORTS

BMX BIKE PRESENTS DOLLS

FRIENDS FAMILY NEIGHBOURS

From  
all the staff of the Berri Library,  
we wish all our patrons  
a "Merry Christmas"  
and a  
Bright and Happy New Year !  
..... Roll on 2014 !

