

# CRIME Chronicle

"Where a good crime can be had by all"

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## BARTULIN DE LUXE

Fans of Jack Susko (and you can count Eve Abbey among them) will be rushing in to Abbey's on 11 August to meet the author Lenny Bartulin in conversation with P M Newton. Aim for 6pm for a 6.30pm start. Light refreshments will be served – see you on the night!

Scribe is delighted to invite you to the launch of

**De Luxe**  
A Jack Susko Mystery  
BY LENNY BARTULIN  
TO BE LAUNCHED BY P.M. NEWTON

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## PACKIN' HEAT IN AUGUST

**Kate Ellis**

**The Jackal Man**  
Wesley Peterson #15

When a teenage girl is left for dead by an attacker described as having the head of a dog, DI Wesley Peterson suspects the killer is performing an ancient ritual linked to Anubis, the jackal-headed Egyptian god of death.

Meanwhile, archaeologist Neil Watson is tasked with cataloguing the collection of Edwardian Egyptologist, Sir Frederick Varley. There, Neil discovers Wesley's case bears similarities to murders that took place in 1903, said to have been committed by Sir Frederick's son...

[English, Police Procedural] 400pp Pb \$19.99

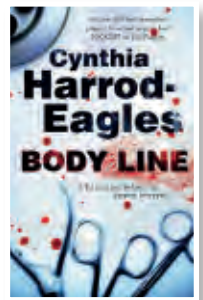


**Cynthia Harrod-Eagles**

**Body Line**  
Bill Slider #13

David Rogers was a doctor - handsome, charming and rich. He lived the lifestyle of a top consultant - expensive clothes, fine restaurants, and exclusive clubs - until someone killed him in the hallway of his lovely and expensive home. When Bill Slider and his firm are thrown into the mystery they soon discover that although Roger's girlfriends are plenty, none of them can tell Slider anything about where he worked or exactly what he did...

[English, Private Eye] 256pp Pb \$24.95



**Quintin Jardine**  
**Grievous Angel**  
Bob Skinner #21

Detective Superintendent Bob Skinner is called to investigate the death of a man lying in an empty swimming pool, his body shattered. Soon an organised crime connection looms and bloody retribution spreads. Violence erupts on a new front as a vicious knifeman seems to be targeting Edinburgh's gay community. As if this double dose of homicide isn't enough, Skinner's personal life takes a similar, perilous twist...

[Scottish, Police Procedural] 416pp Tp \$32.99



**Peter Robinson**  
**Before the Poison**

Hollywood music composer Chris Lowndes has returned home to the Yorkshire Dales to make a new life for himself after his wife's death. The isolated house he buys should give him the space he needs to deal with his grief. Kilnsgate House turns out to be more than he expected though. A man died there, 60 years ago. His wife was convicted of murder. And something is pulling Chris deeper and deeper into the story of Grace Elizabeth Fox, who was hanged...

[English, Suspense] 416pp Tp \$32.99



**Ruth Rendell**  
**The Vault**  
Inspector Wexford #23

Although Reg Wexford is now retired, Detective Superintendent Tom Ede is keen to recruit Wexford as an adviser on a difficult case. The bodies of two women and a man have been discovered in the old coal hole of a house in St John's Wood. None carries identification, but the man's jacket pockets contain valuable jewellery. Intrigued by the challenge, Wexford is not really anticipating that this new role will bring him into danger...

[English, Police Procedural] 272pp Tp \$32.95



**Barry Maitland**  
**Chelsea Mansions**  
Brock And Kolla #11

When elderly American tourist Nancy Haynes is murdered after visiting the Chelsea Flower Show, DI Kathy Kolla suspects there is more to the case than first appears. Then another victim is claimed immediately afterwards - this time a Russian oligarch. Is it a KGB assassination? Are the murders linked? Or is Nancy's death just the result of mistaken identity? Kathy determines to dig deeper, but comes up against walls of silence...

[Scottish/Australian] 440pp Pb \$24.99



**Anne Zouroudi**

**The Whispers of Nemesis**  
Hermes Diaktoros #5

In the tiny Greek village of Vrissi, a coffin is unearthed and opened. To the astonishment of the mourners at the graveside, the remains inside the coffin have been transformed. Then at the shrine of St Fanourios, a body is found. There's talk of witchcraft - but it seems the truth might be even stranger! Hermes Diaktoros finds himself embroiled in the mysteries of Vrissi, as well as the enigmatic last will and testament of Greece's most admired modern poet.

[English, Suspense] 304pp Tp \$29.99



**James Ellroy & Otto Penzler [eds]**  
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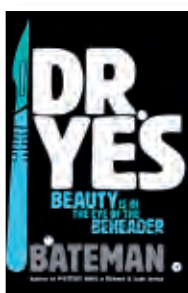
**Emily Arsenault**  
**In Search of the Rose Notes**

When Nora learns that bones found are of Rose, her former babysitter who disappeared when she was 11, she is drawn back to her old neighbourhood and her former best friend Charlotte. Charlotte is adamant that they try to solve the mystery. But Nora was the last known person to see Rose alive and she's not ready to revisit her troubled adolescence and the events surrounding the disappearance... or to face the disturbing secrets that are re-emerging.  
[American, Suspense] 384pp Pb \$23.95



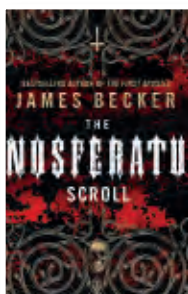
**Bateman**  
**Dr Yes**

Dr Yes is the charismatic plastic surgeon on the fast track to fame and fortune. So when the wife of obscure crime writer Augustine Wogan disappears shortly after entering his clinic, the Small-Bookseller-with-No-Name is persuaded to investigate. As fatherhood approaches, our intrepid hero is interested only in a quick buck... but he soon finds himself up to his neck in murder and madness - and face-to-face with the most gruesome serial killer since the last one!  
[North Irish, Private Eye] 448pp Pb \$22.99



**James Becker**  
**The Nosferatu Scroll**

Holidaying in Venice, Chris Bronson and Angela Lewis discover a desecrated tomb containing a female skeleton and a diary written in Latin, dating back centuries. Soon corpses of young women, all killed in the same ritualistic manner, start appearing throughout the city. So when Angela disappears, Bronson knows he must find her before she too is slaughtered. But his hunt for Angela leads him back to the Island of the Dead and into a deadly conspiracy...  
[English, Archaeological] 480pp Tp \$32.95



**Lisa Black**  
**Trail of Blood**  
**Theresa MacLean #3**

75 years ago, the Torso Killer embarked on a spree of murder. So when a decapitated body is found in an abandoned building, forensic scientist Theresa MacLean thinks the decades-old corpse is an unaccounted-for victim of the legendary psychopath. But the discovery of a newly slain body bearing the Torso Killer's signature suggests a copycat is following the madman's footprints. It seems her investigation trail leads to a terrifying past...  
[American, Forensic] 432pp Pb \$13.50



**Sara Blaedel**  
**Call Me Princess**

In Copenhagen, Susanne Hansson is the victim of a brutal rape. DI Louise Rick is called to the case where she determines that Susanne met the rapist via a dating website. While the police make progress, Susanne tries to commit suicide. The rape is not the only reason... Meanwhile, Louise becomes immersed in the online dating world. She tracks down the suspect, who now calls himself 'Prinz'. Contacting him using the name 'Princess', they agree to meet...  
[Danish, Police Procedural] 852pp Hb \$32.95



**S J Bolton**  
**Now You See Me**

Lacey Flint is a London policewoman with a morbid fascination for serial killers. On the job she is quiet and plainly dressed. When she returns to her car one evening and finds a woman fatally stabbed, she is taken in for questioning. But then a hand-delivered letter suggests the killer has a special interest in her. Suddenly she is at the centre of a murder hunt. Will Lacey cope as the case pushes her into the limelight?  
[English, Police Procedural] 432pp Tp \$32.95



**Melissa Bourbon**  
**Pleating for Mercy**  
**Magical Dressmaking #1**

When her great-grandmother passes away, Harlow leaves her job as a Manhattan fashion designer and moves back to Bliss, Texas. But soon after she opens Buttons & Bows, a custom dressmaking boutique in the old farmhouse she inherited, she begins to feel an inexplicable 'presence'. So when the boss of her old friend (and new client!) Josie turns up dead, can she track down the real killer... with a little help from beyond?  
[American, Cosy] 320pp Pb \$11.50



**C J Box**  
**Back of Beyond**

Detective Cody Hoyt is called to the scene of a smouldering forest cabin containing a dead body. Cody is a recovering alcoholic and it doesn't help that the body is his AA sponsor, Hank Winters. Data pulled from Hank's fire-damaged hard drive leads him to a website that runs wilderness trips in the nearby national park. The same trip that his estranged son Justin has signed up for. Cody has no choice but to trek into the wild in pursuit of Justin and the truth about Hank...  
[American, Police Procedural] 384pp Pb \$24.99



**Jacklyn Brady**  
**A Sheetcake Named Desire**  
**Piece of Cake #1**

New Orleans pastry chef Rita Lucero is out to bake her way to the top. But when she stumbles upon her soon-to-be ex-husband dead with a chef's knife in his back, she is stunned to discover that she stands to inherit Philippe's high-end New Orleans shop, Zydeco Cakes. Set up to take the fall for Philippe's murder, it's up to Rita to find the real killer... before she winds up as the next victim served!  
[American, Cosy] 304pp Pb \$13.50



**Tom Clancy**  
**Dead or Alive**  
**Jack Ryan Jr #2**

Intelligence expert Jack Ryan Jr and his colleagues at the Campus have come up against its greatest foe: the 'Emir'. The mastermind of countless attacks, the Emir has eluded capture by every law enforcement agency in the world. But his greatest devastation is yet to be unleashed, as he plans a strike at the heart of America, unless the Campus can take him - dead or alive. Jack will find himself on a manhunt that will take him into the shadowy arenas of politics to prevent the fall of the West!  
[American, Espionage] 950pp Tp \$32.95



**Sheila Connolly**  
**Bitter Harvest**  
**Orchard Mystery #5**

Now that Meg Corey's apples have been harvested and sold, she's enjoying some free time. But after discovering a 19th-century silk sampler embroidered with apple trees and names she doesn't recognise, she finds herself plagued by a series of annoyingly small but increasingly sinister mishaps, which force her to unravel the mystery surrounding the sampler... otherwise her first harvest may well be her last!  
[American, Cosy] 304pp Pb \$13.50



**Julie Corbin**  
**Where the Truth Lies**

Claire's husband has been keeping secrets - about the whereabouts of the witness to the murder trial he's prosecuting and about the letters he's been receiving which threaten to kill their four-year-old unless he tells the blackmailer where the witness is hiding. With their daughter's life at stake, Claire is determined to untangle the web of lies and half-truths and find out who is responsible. And stop them before it's too late...  
[Scottish, Suspense] 352pp Pb \$22.99



**Cleo Coyle**

**Roast Mortem  
Coffee House Mystery #9**

Clare Cosi, manager and head barista of the landmark Village Blend coffeehouse, has perfected the art of hot espresso. But now she needs to keep New York's bravest from being burned. After being rescued by local fire-fighters while caught in a blazing restaurant - and then fire-fighters themselves start dying in suspicious circumstances - Clare is determined to solve the crime... before someone extinguishes her!  
[American, Cosy] 368pp Pb \$13.50



**Laura DiSilverio**

**Die Buying  
Mall Cop #1**

Emma-Joy Ferris likes being a mall cop, even though it's a bit more humdrum than the military policing she did in the army. But when a local developer is found dead in a boutique window and someone 'liberates' a 15-foot python from the Herpetology Hut, Emma-Joy has no time to be bored. After an arrogant homicide detective dismisses her as 'only' a mall cop, she decides to solve the case herself with the help of her grandpa, a retired CIA operative.  
[American, Cosy] 288pp Pb \$13.95



**Sissel-Jo Gazan**

**The Dinosaur Feather**

Biology graduate Anna Bella Nor is just two weeks from defending her thesis on the origin of birds when her supervisor Lars Helland is found murdered in his office, a copy of her thesis on his lap. Assigned to investigate, Superintendent Soren Marhaug discovers Helland had been infected with a rare parasite that only a field expert would have access to. But when her fellow graduate is also killed, the murders become linked to Anna, revealing a vicious competition for academic success.  
[Danish, Police Procedural] 400pp Tp \$32.99



**Carol Culver**

**A Good Day to Pie  
Pie Shop Mystery #1**

Hanna Denton has returned to California to take over the pie shop her Grannie Louise owned for 30 years. Grannie has now retired and Hanna is trying to live up to Grannie's reputation for baking the best pies in the state. But between rolling dough and working out the magic ingredients that made Grannie's pies so popular, she is faced with an even bigger challenge: convincing the handsome new police chief that Grannie is innocent of murder!  
[American, Cosy] 312pp Pb \$23.95



**Joseph Finder**

**Buried Secrets  
Nick Heller #2**

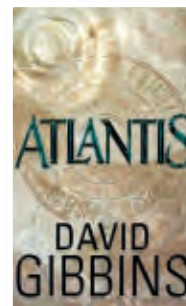
When PI Nick Heller returns to Boston to set up an agency he gets an urgent case sooner than expected. Alexandra Marcus - daughter of hedge fund titan Marshall Marcus - has been kidnapped. Buried alive in an underground casket, a video camera streams her desperate pleas. Nick is determined to catch the perpetrators, but when Marcus is arrested by the FBI for fraud, Nick realises he's facing a conspiracy that reaches to the highest levels of government...  
[American, Private Eye] 416pp Tp \$32.99



**David Gibbins**

**Atlantis  
Jack Howard #1**

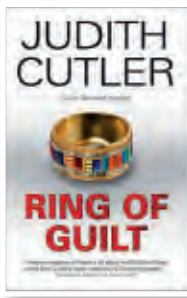
Archaeologist Jack Howard is a brave but cautious man. When he embarked on a new search for buried treasure in the Mediterranean, he knew it was a long shot. When he uncovered a golden disc that spoke of a lost civilisation more advanced than any in the ancient world, he started to get excited. But when he and his intrepid crew got close to uncovering the secrets the sea had held for thousands of years, nothing could have prepared them for what they would find...  
[Canadian, Archaeological] 480pp Pb \$10.99



**Judith Cutler**

**Ring of Guilt  
Lina Townend Mystery #3**

Antiques dealer Lina Townend is making a name for herself as a restorer, with a national reputation for honesty. So when she spots a dead body in a field, she calls the police - only for it to promptly vanish. And it seems that her luck has entirely deserted her when she's accused of stealing two Anglo-Saxon rings and no one believes she's innocent. So when her love life looks up, she's delighted... and completely unprepared when things take a turn for the worse!  
[English, Cosy] 224pp Pb \$24.95



**Dick Francis & Felix Francis**

**Crossfire**

Captain Thomas Forsyth's tour of Afghanistan is cut brutally short after he is badly wounded by a roadside bomb. Returning home to his mother - a racehorse trainer and the 'First Lady' of racing - he discovers the training business is on the edge and that someone is trying to put his mother out of business. He soon finds himself on a very different but just as deadly battlefield, where he finds himself again caught in the crossfire...  
[Welsh, Suspense] 368pp Pb \$19.95



**Michele Giuttari**

**A Death in Calabria**

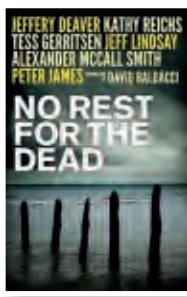
Chief Superintendent Michele Ferrara, of Italy's Anti-Mafia Investigation Department, is tasked with investigating the deaths of several Calabrian citizens - some in New York and some in the small villages dotting the Calabrian countryside. Ferrara must infiltrate the village of San Piero d'Aspromonte, deep in the Calabrian Mountains. And there he must put his life on the line to learn more about a family at the centre of an ancient, bloody feud...  
[Italian, Police Procedural] 336pp Pb \$22.99



**Jeffery Deaver, David Baldacci [et al]**

**No Rest for the Dead**

When the decaying body of Christopher Thomas, a curator at San Francisco's Museum of Fine Arts, is found inside an 'iron maiden', his wife Rosemary is tried and executed. Ten years later, Jon Nunn, the detective who cracked the case, is convinced the wrong person was put to death. Along with financier Tony Olsen, he plans to gather everyone who was there the night Christopher died and finally uncover the truth about what happened that fateful evening...  
[American, Police Proced.] 384pp Pb \$24.99



**Meg Gardiner**

**The Nightmare Thief  
Jo Beckett #4**

Daddy's already bought Autumn Reiniger a car and an apartment, so now she wants excitement for her 21st birthday. Her father signs her up for a reality game called 'Edge Adventures', who have alerted the San Francisco police that a fake 'crime situation' is underway. But when Forensic Psychiatrist Jo Beckett encounters a group of men carting six sullen college kids to the woods, her suspicions land her an invite to a birthday party she may never leave! Also available: *Jo Beckett #3, The Liar's Lullaby* (Pb \$19.99).  
[American, Forensic] 384pp Tp \$29.99



**Juan Gomez-Jurado**

**The Traitor's Emblem**

Munich, 1919. After the disgrace of his family, 15-year-old Paul Reiner works as a servant in the palace of Baron Von Schroeder. Paul despairingly dreams of the heroic father he never knew. But one night, seconds before committing suicide, Paul's cousin reveals a terrible secret. Paul's father didn't die in WWI, as he'd been told. He was murdered. From that moment, his world is turned upside down and he sacrifices everything to learn the truth of his father's death...  
[Spanish, Suspense] 304pp Tp \$32.99



**Ann Granger**  
**Rack, Ruin and Murder**  
*Carter & Campbell #2*

When old Monty Bickerstaffe finds an unidentified dead body in his drawing room, the last thing he wants is police sniffing around his crumbling Cotswold manor. Not that he has anything to hide. The locals swear they've seen nothing unusual and his relatives claim they've never seen the body before. But Inspector Jess Campbell thinks someone is lying and with the help of Superintendent Ian Carter she must dig deep into Monty's family history for the truth. *[English, Police Procedural]* 320pp Tp \$32.99



**Karen Harper**  
**Fall from Pride**  
*Home Valley Amish #1*

With the hope of attracting more tourists to her Amish community in the struggling economy, Sarah Kauffman is given permission to paint murals on several of the village barns. When someone sets the barns ablaze, the community is riddled with fear. Assigned to the case is Nate MacKenzie, who must adhere to Amish ways during his investigation. With Sarah as his guide, beliefs are challenged, a way of life is questioned... and family secrets are exposed. *[American, Police Procedural]* 352pp Pb \$23.95



**Rex Kusler**  
**Ashes to Dust**  
*Las Vegas #2*

Jack Roberts comes to James & James Detective Agency for help in solving the murder of his daughter, whose body was found burning in the Nevada desert. Among the suspects: an obsessive ex-boyfriend, an ex-fiancé... and the client himself. Alice James knows that if they crack this case, business will pour in. But first she'll need to manage her colleague Jim Snow's ill-timed midlife crisis... and deal with the chemistry crackling between them! Also available: *Las Vegas #1, Punctured* (Pb \$21.95). *[American, Private Eye]* 208pp Pb \$21.95



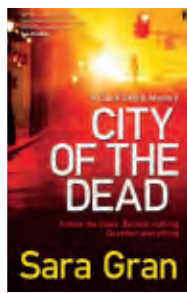
**Asa Larsson**  
**Until Thy Wrath be Past**  
*Rebecka Martinsson #4*

A young woman's body surfaces in the River Thorne in the north of Sweden. Where is the dead girl's boyfriend, also reported as missing? Joining forces with Police Inspectors Anna-Maria Mella and Sven-Erik Stalnacke, Rebecka Martinsson is drawn into an investigation centring on old rumours of a plane that never arrived, carrying supplies for German troops in 1943. And on the shore of a frozen lake lurks a killer, determined to keep the past buried beneath decades of ice and snow... *[Swedish, Police Procedural]* 288pp Tp \$32.99



**Sara Gran**  
**City of the Dead**  
*Claire DeWitt #1*

In New Orleans, Assistant District Attorney Vic Willing has been missing since Hurricane Katrina. Called in from San Francisco is Claire DeWitt, a detective with unique methods and sources. Her discoveries take her into the heart of a crime-ravaged city where those who can afford it live behind fences and those who can't are slain on the streets. And it's there she discovers that the only thing worse than an unsolved case is a solved one... *[American, Police Proced.]* 288pp Tp \$27.99



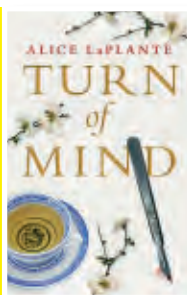
**John Grisham**  
**The Confession**

When high school student Nicole Yarber vanished, her home town stood still as thousands of volunteers combed the area in search of her. But Nicole's body was never found and nine years later Donte Drumm - the young black athlete arrested for her murder - sits on death row. His lawyer Robbie Flak is out of options... unless the confession of convicted felon Travis Boyette can set things right. With one week to go before Donte's execution, the clock is ticking *[American, Legal]* 464pp Pb \$14.95



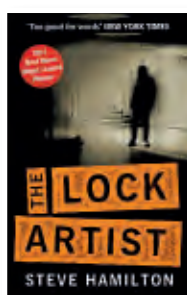
**Alice LaPlante**  
**Turn of Mind**

This troubling crime novel certainly stands out as one of the most adventurous and unusual reads of the year with its main suspect, Jennifer, deep in the grip of dementia. When her friend is found dead with fingers neatly severed, the police naturally suspect that Jennifer, a retired surgeon who had specialised in hands, is the one who committed the grisly crime. The book is a series of conversations, with Jennifer, whose memory is rapidly fading and playing tricks on her, talking to her son and errant daughter, her carer and the police. If this sounds dull, it isn't - dark secrets are revealed and you would be cold indeed not to be moved by Jennifer's plight and the frustration she feels as she desperately tries to relate to what is happening to her. The denouement is satisfying but terrifying. *Peter Smith [American, Psychological]* 320pp Tp \$32.95



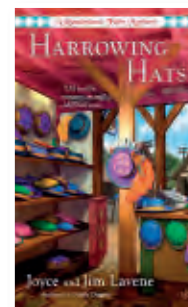
**Steve Hamilton**  
**The Lock Artist**

After surviving a terrible incident that killed his parents, Michael was left unable to speak. Taunted as a freak, he discovers he has a curious talent: he can open locks. But breaking into the house of a rival school's quarterback attracts unwanted attention - and unless he agrees to put his skills to use, the mob will kill the father of the girl he loves. So begins an extraordinary life of crime, as Michael plots against his employer and searches for the key to his childhood trauma. *[American, Suspense]* 416pp Pb \$22.99



**Joyce & Jim Lavene**  
**Harrowing Hats**  
*Renaissance Faire #4*

Spending her summer working as a hat-maker in the Renaissance Faire Village seems like a pretty sweet deal for Jessie Morton...until one of the fair's chocolatiers is discovered drowned in a vat of his own chocolate with a hat pin sticking out of his eye. Jessie finds herself embroiled in a messy murder and must sort through a long list of knaves, knights and wenches who might have wanted to see the chocolatier double-dipped and dead. *[American, Cosy]* 304pp Pb \$13.50



**Mike Lawson**  
**House Justice**  
*Joe DeMarco #5*

When a CIA agent in Tehran - tasked with spying on an American defence contractor who plans to sell top-secret technology to Iran - is captured and executed, it seems someone in Washington has leaked the story to an ambitious journalist. Imprisoned for refusing to reveal her source, the journalist threatens to expose her affair with a congressman if she is not helped. With a killer following his every move, DeMarco realises the CIA aren't the only ones interested in the journalist's source... *[American, Espionage]* 577pp Pb \$13.50



**Dennis Lehane**  
**Moonlight Mile**  
*Kenzie and Gennaro #6*

Patrick Kenzie must investigate the disappearance of 16-year-old Amanda McCready. Brought up by the world's worst mother, neglected throughout her childhood, Amanda nonetheless blossomed into a formidably intelligent young woman. A young woman so bright that she can out-manoeuvre anyone. For Patrick, the case leads him down Boston's most dangerous streets into a world of secrets that will threaten not only Amanda's life, but also his own. *[American, Suspense]* 448pp Pb \$19.99



**John Ajvide Lindqvist**  
**Harbour**

On the island of Domaro, Anders and Cecilia take their six-year-old daughter Maja to visit the lighthouse at Gavasten. There, she disappears. Two years later Anders returns to Domaro to confront his despair. He realises that Maja's disappearance is not the first tragedy to strike the islanders, nor is everyone telling him all they know. There's something very bad happening on Domaro. Something that involves the sea itself... *[Swedish, Suspense]* 480pp Pb \$23.95



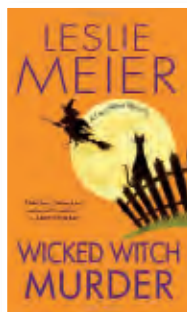
**Jeff Lindsay**  
**Dexter is Delicious**  
*Dexter #5*

As if getting married wasn't enough to complete his nice-guy persona, Dexter is now the proud father of a baby girl. And he actually seems to care. But even if fatherhood is distracting Dexter from his midnight excursions to rid Miami of a few more lowlifes, there's no let-up at work. Two young girls are missing - and it's not long before one of the bodies turns up, partially eaten. But as Dexter investigates, he can't shake the feeling he's being watched...  
[*American, Police Proced.*] 464pp Pb \$19.99



**Leslie Meier**  
**Wicked Witch Murder**  
*Lucy Stone #16*

As Halloween rolls around, a murderer is dishing out some nasty tricks in Tinker's Cove, Maine. After getting an unnerving psychic reading from the town's newest resident Diana Ravenscroft, Lucy Stone stumbles upon the dead body of Malcolm Malebranche - a seemingly harmless magician who worked children's birthday parties. But Malcolm is inexplicably linked to Diana and now it's up to Lucy to unmask the killer!  
[*American, Cosy*] 304pp Pb \$13.95



**James Patterson**  
**Now You See Her**

22-year-old Jeanine Fournier was beautiful, married to a handsome police officer and pregnant with her first child. Her life seemed complete... until she unearthed a terrible secret that made her run for her life and change her identity. Years later, an even greater horror compels her to risk a prosperous life in NYC to return to Florida and confront the murderous evil she fled. Also available: *Postcard Killers* (Pb \$19.95) and *Bloody Valentine* (Pb \$4.95), a *Quick Read 2011* title written exclusively for World Book Day UK.  
[*American, Suspense*] 400pp Tp \$32.95



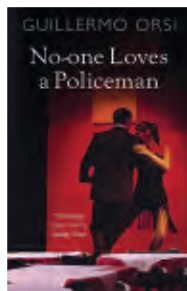
**Casey Mayes**  
**A Killer Column**  
*Mystery by the Numbers #2*

When the editor of puzzle columnist Savannah Stone is found stabbed to death, the police turn to Savannah as the prime suspect - especially since her editor had just terminated their relationship and then sold her column off to a syndicate. But Savannah knows she wasn't the only puzzle-maker to cross words with him and now she must solve one of the most difficult puzzles she has ever faced to clear her name!  
[*American, Cosy*] 288pp Pb \$13.50



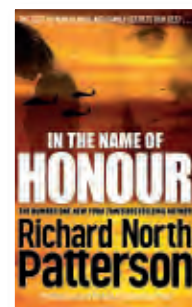
**Guillermo Orsi**  
**No-one Loves a Policeman**

December 2001. Argentina is in political and economic meltdown. Pablo Martelli - once part of the elite police force known to all as the 'National Shame' - is scraping by as a bathroom salesman. One evening, he is summoned to a friend's coastal retreat, where he finds his friend dead. Drawn into a bewildering sequence of events, he is forced to reveal the truth of his past life. It is a dangerous confession: after all, no-one loves a policeman.  
[*Argentinian, Suspense*] 288pp Pb \$22.99



**Richard North Patterson**  
**In the Name of Honour**

Traumatized by his experience in Iraq, Brian McCarran is dependent on his friendship with Kate Gallagher, the wife of Captain Joe D'Abruzzo and Brian's commanding officer in Iraq. When Brian kills D'Abruzzo, he pleads self-defence, claiming D'Abruzzo attacked him. Kate supports Brian and says her husband was violent and abusive. Paul Terry, an army lawyer, must defend Brian in a high-profile court martial and learns that families can break the sturdiest of souls.  
[*American, Legal*] 400pp Pb \$19.99



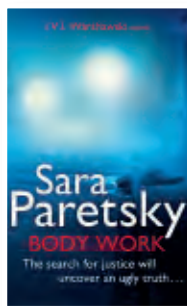
**Peter Mayle**  
**The Vintage Caper**

Hollywood lawyer Danny Roth is the victim of a world-class wine heist. Sam Levitt, former corporate lawyer and wine connoisseur, is called in by Roth's insurance company, now saddled with a multi-million-dollar claim. His leads take him first to Bordeaux's magnificent vineyards and then to Provence. Along the way, he's joined by a French colleague, Sophie. In their quest to discover the truth, Sam and Sophie must explore many a chateau and its contents.  
[*English, Culinary*] 240pp Pb \$22.99



**Sara Paretsky**  
**Body Work**  
*V.I. Warshawski #14*

In Chicago, a woman calling herself the 'Body Artist' invites the audience to use her naked body as a canvas. When a tormented painter creates her designs on the artist, an Iraq War veteran in the audience launches into a violent rage and shoots the painter. The police assume the shell-shocked veteran went off the rails. But when his family hires Warshawski to clear his name, the detective uncovers a chain of ugly truths stretching from Iraq to Chicago's South Side.  
[*American, Private Eye*] 464pp Pb \$19.99



**Peter Quinn**  
**The Man Who Never Returned**

Newly appointed Judge Joe Crater stepped into a taxi on a New York street in August, 1930, farewelled his two companions and was never seen again. Peter Quinn's new novel starts in 1955 when Fintan Dunne, a renowned private investigator, is approached by a newspaper magnate who hopes to launch his new magazine with a sensational solving of the mystery. Based on fact and closely following the clues contained in the papers of the time, this intriguing book follows the dogged, flawed and cynical Fintan as he delves into a world of gangsters, suspect politicians, hookers, army veterans and showgirls, all struggling to survive during the Great Depression. As he gets closer to the truth, questioning those still alive who knew and worked with the Judge, the investigations become increasingly threatening to his life. This is a fascinating book and Fintan is a fascinating hero. The solving of the case is totally satisfying and although the book is fiction, one can imagine the truth not being too far from Peter Quinn's imaginary proposal. *Peter Smith*  
[*American, Police Proced.*] 333pp Pb \$19.99



**Judi McCoy**  
**Till Death Do Us Bark**  
*Dog Walker #5*

Professional dog walker Ellie Engleman may have a psychic connection with dogs, but she was hoping she not to get roped into dealing with the wet-nosed guests at the Hamptons wedding she's been invited to. Soon she's chasing her tail over trouble of the two-legged variety. When someone is murdered, Ellie and her yorkiepool Rudy must put their noses to the ground to sniff out the killer!  
[*American, Canine*] 336pp Pb \$13.50



**Robert B Parker**  
**Sixkill**  
*Spenser #40*

A girl has been found dead in the hotel room of movie star Jumbo Nelson, a sufficiently repulsive individual. But his lawyers want Spenser to find out whether Jumbo did it. Then there is Jumbo's bodyguard, Zebulon Sixkill, who squandered his pro-football career and turned to alcohol. Also involved in Jumbo's case is an assassin who might be the most dangerous enemy Spenser has ever faced. But if he can persuade Sixkill to turn his life around, Spenser might have the ally he needs...  
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The death of an unknown American in Stockholm appears to be a suicide. But when Superintendent Lars Martin Johansson delves beneath the layers of corruption, incompetence and violence currently strangling the Stockholm Police Department, he uncovers a complex web of treachery, politics and espionage. Johansson soon realises there is nothing routine about this death, as he is catapulted into the rotten heart of Sweden's government.  
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**Peter Turnbull**  
**Aftermath**  
*Hennessey and Yellich #21*

When five corpses in various states of decomposition are found chained to the walls of a kitchen garden, Hennessey and Yellich begin their investigation. The recently deceased owner was housebound for the last 25 years and would have had no idea of the appalling crimes taking place yards away. At first, there doesn't seem to be many clues and the victims have little in common. But Hennessey and Yellich know the dead hold all the clues they need...  
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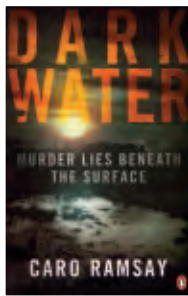
**M J Trow**  
**Maxwell's Retirement**  
*Peter Maxwell #15*

Peter Maxwell, the head of sixth form at Leighford High, can't get to grips with technology. But it becomes vital that he does after some of his female pupils receive threatening messages from an anonymous sender. Then he too starts receiving messages and two of the girls go missing. When a body is found, it seems the prank has taken a sinister turn... and Peter may be the next target. Is the chance of him reaching retirement looking unlikely?  
*[Welsh, Suspense]* 416pp Pb \$17.99



**Caro Ramsay**  
**Dark Water**

In Glasgow, a criminal's corpse has been found. DI Anderson and DS Costello believe the man is a suspect in a decade-old case: the rape and attempted murder of a young student by two men. But what has happened to the dead man's accomplice, 'Mr Click'? When another young woman is attacked, the detectives realise this psychopath has started working again. Mr Click has developed a taste for his bloodthirsty trade. And to satisfy his lust he will strike again and again...  
*[Scottish, Police Procedural]* 480pp Pb \$22.95



**Leigh Russell**  
**Dead End**  
*Geraldine Steel #3*

When a corpse is found, police learn the victim's tongue was cut out as she lay dying. Then shortly after coming forward, a witness is blinded and murdered. Meanwhile, Detective Inspector Geraldine Steel's flirtation with the pathologist on the case helps her deal with a shocking personal discovery – Geraldine was adopted. But when Detective Sergeant Ian Peterson uncovers a secret about the serial killer, will it be enough to save Geraldine from a similar fate?  
*[English, Police Procedural]* 352pp Pb \$17.99



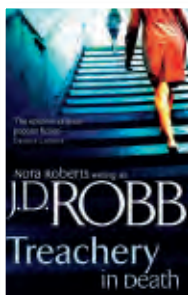
**Robert Rotenberg**  
**The Guilty Plea**  
*Old City Hall #2*

Multi-millionaire Quentin Wyler is murdered the same morning his divorce trial is due to start and Detective Ari Greene is assigned to the case. Hours after the funeral, Wyler's ex-wife Tamar is charged with murder. Her defence lawyer Ted DiPaulo is up against a determined prosecutor: Jennifer Raglan, who once had an affair with Greene. A murder trial becomes even more complex, leaving a trail of unanswered questions in its wake.  
*[Canadian, Legal]* 336pp Tp \$29.99



**J D Robb**  
**Treachery in Death**  
*In Death #32*

Detective Eve Dallas and her partner Peabody are investigating the murder of an elderly grocery owner killed by three stoned punks for no reason. But Peabody stumbles upon a trickier situation. Alone in the locker room, she overhears two fellow officers, Garnet and Oberman, arguing. It doesn't take long to realise they're both guilty of corruption and murder. Now Peabody and Eve must get the hard evidence to bring the crooked cops down - knowing the two would kill to keep their secret...  
*[American, Police Proced.]* 480pp Pb \$19.99



**Olen Steinhauer**  
**The Nearest Exit**  
*Milo Weaver #2*

The Department of Tourism is an ultra-secret black-ops branch that carries out the CIA's dirtiest work. Milo Weaver is a Tourist who understands the rules. But Milo is the only Tourist with a daughter. When he is told to assassinate a teenage girl, his commitment crumbles and he disobeys orders. The consequences pull him into a complex world of clandestine government warfare, but Milo's own battle is with his conscience. Will he choose to save his job, his family, or himself?  
*[American, Espionage]* 496pp Pb \$19.99



**Jan Costin Wagner**  
**The Winter of the Lions**  
*Kimmo Joentaa #3*

Since the death of his wife, Detective Kimmo Joentaa spends every Christmas alone. This year, a young woman shows up on his doorstep. Not long afterwards two men are murdered - one of them Joentaa's colleague, a forensic pathologist. When it's clear that both victims had been guests on Finland's most famous talk show, Kimmo is summoned to use all his powers of intuition and instinct to solve the case. Meanwhile the killer is lying in wait, ready to strike...  
*[German, Police Procedural]* 272pp Tp \$29.95



**Luis Miguel Rocha**  
**The Holy Assassin**

Pope John Paul I dies in 1978 in mysterious circumstances and his successor, John Paul II, emerges from the conclave unaware he is in mortal danger. Only the actions of a few loyal operatives prevent his assassination. 30 years later journalist Sarah Monteiro uncovers the sinister machinations of a covert agency, whose web of lies hides the true power behind the throne. Dark forces are still at large and Sarah faces a life-or-death struggle in the name of faith.  
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**Kari Lee Townsend**  
**Tempest in the Tea Leaves**  
*Fortune Teller #1*

Using various fortune telling tools to interpret her visions, Sunshine Meadows seeks to aid the residents of Divinity, New York. But when she uses tea leaves to read the fortunes of the frazzled town librarian, what lies at the bottom of the cup is a deadly vision that is not very helpful – especially as the librarian ends up dead. Sunshine finds herself becoming the prime suspect in a murder investigation, after the police deny she has psychic abilities.  
*[American, Cosy]* 304pp Pb \$13.50



**CRIME NON-FICTION**

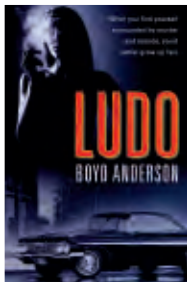
**Mark Aitken**  
**Arctic Floor**

After years of serving as captain in the US Marines Special Forces, Gerry Gallen agrees to lead a team of former soldiers assigned to be the personal security of an eccentric oil billionaire, where he finds himself catapulted into violence and double-crossing. Powerful US and Russian interests are vying for the Arctic's valuable oil fields and they'll stop at nothing to secure control. Gallen and his men are faced with a choice: personal safety... or saving the world!  
*[Australian, Military]* 440pp Pb \$24.99



**Boyd Anderson**  
**Ludo**

Sydney, 1961. 15-year-old Bobby finds himself in the black heart of Sydney's underbelly. It began with a job at Paton Electrical in Sydney's inner west, working as an errand boy for Mr Hardaker. So how did he get involved in the Dodge Phoenix affair and the business of murder? How did he find himself with Mr Hardaker as he navigated his Chevrolet Impala up Liverpool Street? And then there was Ludo, with the pale blue eyes... glamorous, unobtainable Ludo...  
[Australian, Suspense] 288pp Tp \$32.95



**Lenny Bartulin**  
**De Luxe**  
Jack Susko #3

For once, Jack Susko is feeling good: his second-hand bookshop is on the up, he has cash in his wallet and the cops haven't been around in ages. Then one morning a woman shows up with an eviction notice. His former boss, the corrupt property developer Ziggy Brandt, needs Jack's help and won't take no for an answer. Throw in an ex-lover, her jealous boyfriend, a Nazi Luger and of course the cops and it seems that Jack's favourable winds are turning rough!  
[Australian, Suspense] 272pp Pb \$24.95  
MEET LENNY BARTULIN AT ABBEY'S ON 11 AUGUST. See page 7 for details.



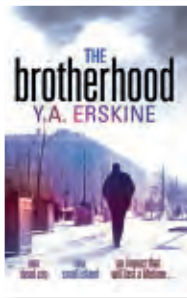
**Keith Bulfin**  
**Undercover**

A stockbroker convicted of fraud, Keith Bulfin is sent to a Supermax unit in Victoria's Port Phillip prison. There he befriends the Mexican drug cartel banker Daniel Gomez. Once free, Keith is approached by the US Drug Enforcement Agency. Given no choice but to comply, he becomes an undercover DEA Agent, acting as an private banker to Mexican drug cartels. If discovered, he and his family will pay the ultimate price for betrayal...  
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**Y A Erskine**  
**The Brotherhood**

When all-round good guy Sergeant John White is murdered during a routine call-out, the tight-knit world of Tasmania Police is rocked to the core. An already difficult investigation becomes steeped in political complexities when the main suspect is identified as being aboriginal. As the investigation unfolds through the eyes of the Sergeant's colleagues, friends, family, enemies and the suspect himself, it becomes clear there was a great deal more to John White than met the eye...  
[Australian, Police Proced.] 320pp Tp \$32.95



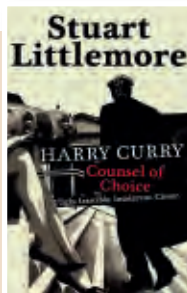
**John M Green**  
**Born to Run**

Isabel Diaz is set to be the first woman to win the White House. But her chances plummet when a Muslim protégé is accused of siphoning funds to terrorists. When a TV journalist digs up a dark secret from Isabel's past, her presidential hopes shatter. With the public stunned only days before the vote, terrorists use the stolen software to launch an attack on New York City.  
[Australian, Political] 384pp Pb \$29.99



**Stuart Littlemore**  
**Harry Curry**  
Counsel of Choice

From one of our sharpest legal minds comes a brilliant new character, Harry Curry – scion of the establishment and criminal defender extraordinaire. A class traitor, some said. When Harry's robust advocacy leads to his suspension for professional misconduct, he teams up reluctantly with Arabella Engineer, an English barrister of Indian descent, struggling for a foothold at the Sydney bar. Together they wreak havoc in criminal trials involving drug-dealing, terrorism, murder and more. But can their professional relationship survive when personal matters intervene? This is an insightful and always engaging romp through a fascinating segment of society and an exciting debut by a talented insider. I wonder how many members of the bar and bench does the author have a dig at? Once I started this novel I could not put it down. I highly recommend it and if by some mischance I needed a criminal barrister, Harry Curry would be my Counsel of choice... or maybe that should be Stuart Littlemore. Peter Milne  
[Australian, Legal] 320pp Tp \$29.99



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**Stephen Sewell**  
**Babylon**

Mick, an English backpacker, hitches a ride north with the enigmatic Dan. Mick isn't sure what he's letting himself in for, but he came to Australia for adventure. But Dan is something else, from a place Mick never even dreamed of. As the pair thread their way through the landscape, in a spiral of escalating violence Dan teaches Mick lessons he never wanted to learn and shows him parts of himself he'd rather never have seen...  
[Australian, Suspense] 240pp Tp \$32.99

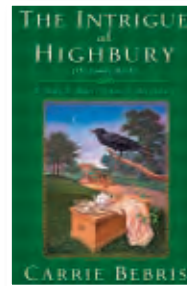


**HISTORICAL CRIME**



**Carrie Bebris**  
**The Intrigue**  
at Highbury  
Mr and Mrs Darcy #5

Mr and Mrs Darcy are looking forward to staying with dear friends when they are robbed on the road. The Darcys go in search of the town magistrate, who is having a difficult evening of his own. It seems that a dinner party hosted by Mr Knightly and his wife, the former Emma Woodhouse, has gone awry after one of the guests is poisoned. When the Darcys and the Knightleys team up to investigate the crimes, they discover that the robbery and the murder are connected.  
[American] 320pp Pb \$21.95



**Philip José Farmer**  
**The Peerless Peer**  
The Further Adventures  
of Sherlock Holmes

Holmes and Watson take to the skies in the quest of the nefarious Von Bork and his weapon of dread! A night sky aerial engagement with the deadly Fokker nearly claims three brilliant lives. When an historic alliance is formed, Baker Street's enigmatic mystery-solver and Greystoke - 'noble savage, peer of the realm and lord of the jungle' - team up to bring down the hellish hunt.  
[American] 208pp Pb \$14.99



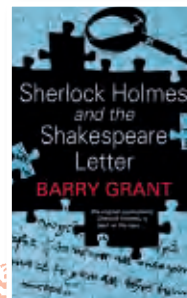
**Charles Finch**  
**A Stranger in Mayfair**  
Charles Lenox #4

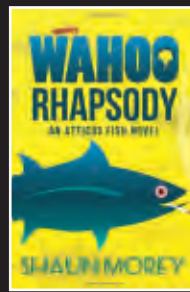
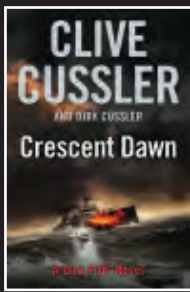
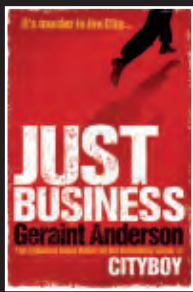
Lenox is asked by a colleague in Parliament to investigate the murder of a footman, where he uncovers unsettling facts about the victim. Going into the boxing clubs and public houses, the Mayfair mansions and servants' quarters of Victorian London, Lenox realises an old friend may be implicated in the footman's death. A suspect is soon arrested, but it seems the real killer is someone beyond suspicion... and may be prepared to spill blood again.  
[American] 336pp Pb \$23.95



**Barry Grant**  
**Sherlock Holmes and the Shakespeare Letter**

Having emerged from a Swiss glacier, the world's most famous detective sleuths through modern London in search of a stolen letter written by Shakespeare. Holmes displays his mental brilliance as he investigates the missing letter and uncovers an international plot to arm terrorists. He and his roommate, James Wilson, track the Shakespeare letter and the terrorist arms dealers to a Scottish castle, where the two companions find they must be bold and resolute to survive.  
[English] 192pp Pb \$24.95





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Clive Cussler [American, Archaeol.] Tp \$29.95

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Matthew Dunn [English, Espionage] Tp \$29.99

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(Bob Lee Swagger #5)

Stephen Hunter [American, Suspense] Pb \$16.99

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Lisa Jackson [American, Police Proc.] Pb \$16.99

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Gabriel Allon will stop at nothing to see justice done. But what was meant to be a pleasant weekend in London ends up with terrorism and bloodshed on the Thames. Summoned by the CIA, he must combat the new face of global terror: an American-born cleric from Yemen who is plotting to become the leader of the worldwide jihadist movement. At the President's request, Gabriel mounts an operation against the network, using any means necessary to protect the innocent. **[American, Espionage] 464pp Tp \$32.99**



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