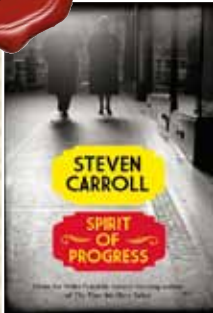


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Our pick of the new releases at Abbey's special prices



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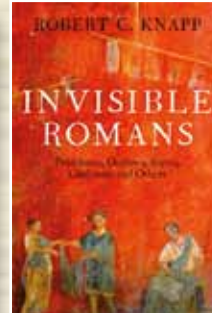
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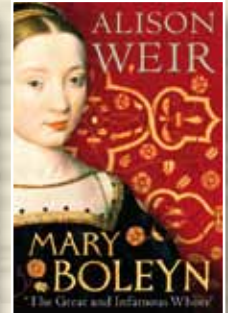
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National Bookshop Day is on 20 August and it is a perfect day (let's hope the sun shines) for you to discover (or rediscover) the Aladdin's cave of culture, knowledge and imagination that dwells on the shelves of your local bookshop. On the day, pop your name in the box in the shop for your chance to **WIN a \$100 Gift Card**. *Craig (Ed.)*

Notes from Eve Abbey...

"... the pace is cracking and I just couldn't wait to reach the end. Top marks. I suspect Sherborne has let the cat out of the bag and this is the way many young men think!" [read on, page 18]

VINTAGE CLASSICS

Catch 22

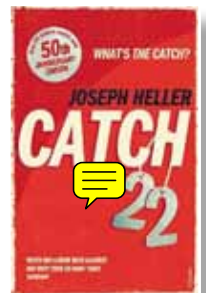
Joseph Heller

It is 50 years since Joseph Heller's wonderful creation first appeared.

My first encounter was as a young backpacker in Liechtenstein. Entering the hostel dorm, a young German was lying on his bunk with escalating outbursts of laughter.

When curiosity finally overwhelmed me I asked *what on earth* he was reading.

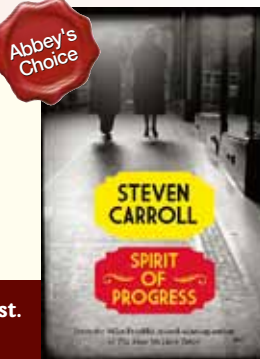
Catch 22 is like no other book you will ever read. The narrative tumbles out, eddies and circles back, piling absurdity upon nonsense until your want for sense and order surrenders. Give yourself over to Heller's anarchic playfulness and you will be richly rewarded with a story about the enterprise of war that is both tragic and comic. *Craig*



Steven Carroll Spirit of Progress 268pp Pb **\$26.95**

In this perfectly judged celebration of post-war Australia (especially Melbourne), Steven Carroll uses a portrait of a family member by Sydney Nolan to join together all the characters which we have already met in his incomparable trilogy, *The Art of the Engine Driver*, *The Gift of Speed* and *The Time We Have Taken* (Miles Franklin Award winner), all \$24.99 each, as well as some famous Melbourne identities. So if you start with this prequel, be sure to also read the books that follow. *Eve*

Steven Carroll will be at Abbey's from 6pm on Wed 10 August.
Please RSVP to events@abbey.com.au by Fri 5 August.



2011 PRIME MINISTER'S LITERARY AWARDS

FICTION Stephen Daisley *Traitor* Pb \$23.95

NON-FICTION Rod Moss *The Hard Light of Day* Pb \$39.95

YOUNG ADULT FICTION Cath Crowley *Graffiti Moon* Pb \$16.99

CHILDRENS' FICTION Boori Monty Pryor, Jan Ormerod *Shake a Leg* Hb \$24.99

2011 BBC SAMUEL JOHNSON PRIZE

Frank Dikötter *Mao's Great Famine* Pb \$23.95 – For the shortlist see page 18.

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More Authors at Abbey's 11 August

Lenny Bartulin see Crime Chronicle

Claire Davy-Galix at Language Book Centre



*Reviewed by Lindy Jones,
Winner 2011 ABA Bookseller of the Year*

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Abbey's Book Busk-a-thon



Wed 7 September is Indigenous Literacy Day and Abbey's is joining with Random House to host a fun raising, fund raising Busk-a-thon.

For more info and to register as a busker - reading your favourite from the *Vintage Classics* range - visit abbey.com.au

In the exciting lead-up to the release of the Tintin movie later this year, this pack contains a large red Tintin themed bag and the two Tintin titles the movie is based on - *The Crab with the Golden Claws* and *The Secret of the Unicorn*. Hb \$49.95

The Eye of the Storm

Elizabeth Hunter, an ex-socialite now in her 80s, has a mystical experience that transforms all her relationships and her existence becomes charged with new meaning.

Three nurses, a housekeeper and a solicitor attend to her as her son and daughter convene at her deathbed. But in death, as in life, she remains a destructive force on those who around her... Pb \$24.95

The first 30 Abbey's customers to purchase this new film tie-in edition of **The Eye of the Storm** will receive a free double pass to see the film. The movie opens in September.



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The Fix

Nick Earls

Josh has returned to Brisbane from London after another failed relationship and a job that morphed from investigative journalism to spin doctoring. At a loose end, he takes up a job that his older, more successful brother offers - under parental pressure. It's supposed to be an easy one - putting a human face on the recipient of the highest bravery award, who saved a colleague from an armed siege. The trouble is, the hero won't co-operate in putting out his story, and harder still for Josh, it's his ex-best-friend who broke up the relationship that precipitated Josh going overseas. Being thrown into Ben's company is complicated by their shared past, Josh's sudden attraction to a law student/stripper, and Josh's high ideals, which haven't disappeared in the face of reality. Another gently understanding and quietly insightful novel from this talented writer. **Lindy** Tp \$32.95



Nourishment

Gerard Woodward

Wartime in England and Mrs Head leaves her comfortable country home to stay with her daughter Tory in London. The children have been evacuated and Tory's husband, Donald, languishes in a prisoner of war camp. It's a prickly relationship and is not helped when Mrs Head mistakenly reads an incendiary letter from Donald to his wife which was definitely not intended for her eyes! Shortlisted for both the *Booker* and *Whitbread* prizes, this book contains some hilariously awful incidents that make you both laugh and cringe. Beautifully written, with a tangled and engrossing plot that, although outrageous, is still very believable. **Peter** 338pp Pb \$22.99



Freedom

Jonathan Franzen

Read page one and you're hooked! This huge, complex and enjoyable family saga is wonderful, full of sharp insights into human nature. Franzen has created a sweeping, inventive and compassionate novel that follows the Berglund family, their friends and associates as they come to terms with a changing and complex world. Spanning a generation, the story is both humorous and tragic, the plot convoluted but captivating. Franzen has drawn each of his characters with love and precision and their triumphs and failures are very real. Highly recommended. **Peter** 570pp Pb \$19.99 **\$16.95**



Abbey's Choice

Kids' Books

Reviewed by Lindy Jones, Winner 2011 ABA Bookseller of the Year

The Truth About Verity Sparks

Susan Green Pb \$16.95

Verity, a 13yo orphan who works as an apprentice milliner, is quick and intelligent, but her greatest talent is being able to find things that are lost. When she is falsely implicated in the theft of a customer's valuable brooch and let go from her job, she has nowhere to go. Luckily, she finds herself a guest of the Plushes, who run the Confidential Inquiry Agency and quickly becomes an assistant investigator. Mr Plush is very interested in her talents and his children, who become good friends, help her to uncover the mysteries of her past. A lovely read, warm and entertaining, set in Victorian times, with an appealing cast of characters and the delightful assurance of more adventures to come!



Imaginary Girls

Nova Ren Suma Pb \$19.99

Chloe absolutely adores her older sister Ruby - as does everyone else in their small town. When Ruby claims Chloe can swim across the reservoir, even though Chloe has been drinking, she sets off. At the point where the lake covers an old settlement, she discovers the body of a classmate. Sent to live with her father, she bides her time before returning to Ruby. The first night back there's a party and Chloe sees the drowned girl - alive and well as if nothing happened. A truly haunting and mysterious story (but nothing paranormal!) with intriguing characters, enhanced by a beautifully lyrical style. 13+



The Picture History of Great Buildings

Gillian Clements Pb \$19.95

An excellent introduction to architecture as told through the stories of 40 great buildings of the world. With an illustrated timeline running along the bottom, each page gives a brief but interesting description of the building, its place in history and sidebars of related factual information. From ancient monuments to triumphs of the middle ages and through to contemporary times, this well illustrated book is both interesting and educational.



Flood

Jackie French & Bruce Whatley Pb \$16.99

The floods of recent times have inspired this beautifully rendered tale of courage and community. Without being too confronting, it helps young readers understand the impact of natural disasters, using a cattle dog who has been separated from its family. Whatley's style is less cartoonish and flattened than he normally uses as befits the subject, and French's style is reassuring. All profits go to the Flood Disaster Relief Charity.



FICTION

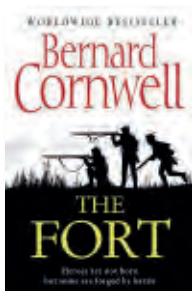
Aleph Paulo Coelho

In 2006, Paulo embarked on a Trans-Siberian pilgrimage across the terrain of his readership as he sought to reconnect with his waning spirituality. Joined by Hilal, an enigmatic young girl with a compelling history, Paulo experiences an unexpected divine awakening - the Aleph - with her. Hilal acts as the catalyst that banishes his ennui... but Paulo must banish his own pride to gain emancipation from the shackles of his isolation, apathy and guilt. 288pp Tp \$29.99



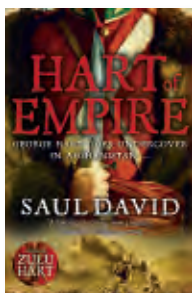
The Fort Bernard Cornwell

Summer, 1779. 750 British soldiers and three small ships of the Royal Navy are ordered to build a fort above a harbour to create a base to control the New England seaboard. Meanwhile, 41 American ships and over 900 men are ordered to expel the British. This is a story revealing how the best-laid plans can be disrupted by personality and politics and how warfare can bring out the best and worst in men. A timeless tale by a master storyteller! 480pp Pb \$19.99



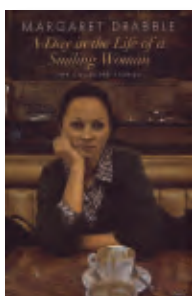
Hart of Empire Saul David

Prime Minister Disraeli summons George Hart on a secret mission to Afghanistan, where the British fear Muslim extremists will overthrow the local ruler and threaten India. Despite Hart's distaste for Whitehall's imperialistic arrogance, he is desperate for money. Descending the Khyber Pass, his warnings are ignored by the pompous British Resident in Kabul. When a terrible massacre occurs, Hart is embroiled in a race to prevent an uprising and head off a catastrophic British invasion! Written by the acclaimed historian and author of **The Indian Mutiny: 1857** (Pb \$24.95). 352pp Pb \$22.99



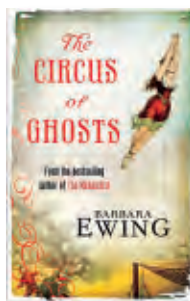
A Day in the Life of a Smiling Woman The Collected Stories Margaret Drabble

This collection shows Drabble to be a leading practitioner of the art of short story, presenting her complete short fiction for the first time in a single volume, from 1964 to 2000. Several of the stories are set in Somerset and Dorset, reflecting the author's intimate knowledge of the land and flora. The settings also range as far as Elba and Cappadocia. Taken as a whole, this collection of stories reflect the social changes of the past 40 years, showing the English at home and abroad. 256pp Hb \$39.95



The Circus of Ghosts Barbara Ewing

New York, 1840s. In the wild circus of Silas P Swift, the actress and mesmerist Cordelia Preston and her daughter Gwennlliam live in a city rich with exciting new ideas: the telegraph, the daguerreotype, anaesthesia and table-tapping. Meanwhile in London, memories fester within the mind of an old and venomous duke. He plots against the mother and the daughter - to kill one and to abduct the other and bring her across the Atlantic to become his alone... 544pp Tp \$32.99



Black Jesus Simone Felice

A young marine returns from Iraq, blinded and scarred by a roadside bomb and harbouring a terrible secret. Called 'Black Jesus' by his fellow soldiers on account of his birthday falling on Christmas Day, he has returned to his home town to sit in the back of his mother's junk-shop, hoping to forget what he knows. Then one day, into his life rides a mysterious young dancer named Gloria who bears her own shocking injuries and is fleeing darkness and violence of a different kind... 192pp Tp \$24.99



Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet Jamie Ford

The belongings of Japanese families sent to internment camps during WWII are rediscovered in Seattle's boarded-up Panama Hotel. The Chinese-American Henry Lee recalls Keiko Okabe, a Japanese-American girl from his childhood with whom he forged a friendship that transcended the prejudices of their ancestors. Henry's search through the Okabe family's belongings takes him on a journey where he revisits the sacrifices he made for family, love and country. 384pp Tp \$27.99



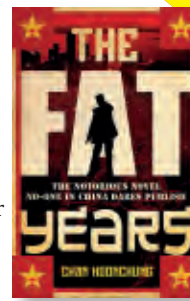
Girl in the Mirror Sarah Gristwood

Jeanne is a young French orphan, exiled and brought to London disguised as a boy. Never shedding her disguise, she lives as a clerk in the household of Robert Cecil, where she witnesses the intrigues in the court of Elizabeth I during the last days of Gloriana's reign. Embroiled in the ambitions and self-destruction of the Queen's favourite, the Earl of Essex, Jeanne finds herself threatened by a political climate where the smallest mistake can attract dire penalties! 352pp Tp \$27.99



The Fat Years Chan Koonchung

In the Beijing of the near future, a month has gone missing from official records. No one has any memory of it and no one seems to care... except for a small circle of friends determined to get to the bottom of the sinister cheerfulness and amnesia that has seemingly possessed the Chinese nation. When they kidnap a high-ranking official and force him to reveal all, what they learn will stun them to the core. It is a message that will rock the world... 320pp Tp \$32.95



Hinterland Caroline Brothers

With nothing but the clothes on their backs and their inheritance stitched into the lining of a belt, two boys cross a river which doubles as a border. It is a gamble, but Europe will offer them a future they will not find in Afghanistan. Travelling by truck, boat, train, bus and on foot, Aryan and his younger brother Kabir embark on an epic journey. This is a novel about two children in the aftermath of trauma. Homeless, exploited and invisible in a foreign land - except to the police... 256pp Tp \$29.99



The Storm at the Door Stefan Merrill Block

Boston, 1963. Frederick Merrill becomes a patient in the country's leading mental hospital, a place of forced regression even as the outside world accelerates into modernity. Meanwhile, in a New Hampshire village to the north, Frederick's wife Katharine struggles to keep her fractured family together as they heal from the wounds of her husband's affliction. Nearly 50 years on, a writer attempts to comprehend his grandparents' story, which continues to cast a shadow over his own life. 368pp Tp \$29.99



On Canaan's Side Sebastian Barry

At the end of WWI, Lilly Bere was forced to flee Dublin for the new world of America... a world filled with both hope and danger. At once epic and intimate, her narrative unfurls as she tries to make sense of the sorrows and troubles of her life and of the people whose lives she has touched. Spanning nearly seven decades, this is a tale of memory, war, family ties and love - displaying once again Sebastian Barry's exquisite prose and gift for storytelling. 304pp Tp \$29.99



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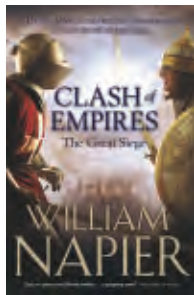
Get the jump on Dad during August by picking a book for his Father's Day gift.

Clash of Empires

The Great Siege

William Napier

Malta, 1565. Formed in the Holy Land in the 11th century, a small band of knights, driven from their lands by the Ottomans, came to rest in Malta. As word came from Constantinople that Malta was within the sights of the Ottoman Empire, a force of over 30,000 men besieged an island populated by only 500 knights and a few thousand local soldiers. On Malta, an epic struggle will be played out - the story of individual men, warriors and slaves, but also the story of two worlds colliding! 416pp Tp \$32.99



Foreign Bodies

Cynthia Ozick

The collapse of her marriage has left Bea Nightingale alone and teaching in an impoverished borough of 1950's New York. A plea from her estranged brother offers her the excuse to leave for France to retrieve a nephew she barely knows. Leaving the stigma of divorce on the far side of the Atlantic, she finds herself entangled in the lives of her brother's family. But as her family unravel around her, she finds herself drawn to the husband she thought she had left in the past... 272pp Tp \$29.99



I Curse the River of Time

Per Petterson

Europe, 1989. Communism is crumbling. Arvid Jansen is in the throes of a divorce and his mother is diagnosed with cancer. He must struggle to find a new footing in his life, while everything around him changes at staggering speed. He remembers holidays on the beach with his brothers, his early life devoted to Communist ideals and his relationship with his independent mother... a relationship full of distance and unspoken pain that is central to his life. 240pp Pb \$24.95



The Watchers

Jon Steele

Having accepted a job as a security guard, Jay Harper ends up in Switzerland on the trail of a missing Olympic athlete. When he meets the stunning Katherine in a hotel bar, he realises she is a high-class hooker. Meanwhile, Marc Rochat spends his time in the belfry talking to the statues. He calls the hour and waits for the angel that his mother told him he'd have to save one day. When he first sees Katherine, he thinks his moment has come. If only it were that straightforward... 560pp Tp \$32.95



The Caspian Gates

Harry Sidebottom

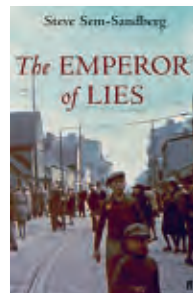
AD262. Ephesus, Asia's metropolis, has been shattered by an earthquake. Its citizens live in fear as a mob overwhelms the city, baying for blood to avenge the gods who have punished them. Yet an even greater threat to the Empire advances from the North. The barbaric Goth tribes sail towards Ephesus, determined to pillage the city. Only Ballista, Warrior of Rome, knows the ways of the barbarians. Only he can defeat them and save the Imperium from their limitless bloodlust... 450pp Tp \$29.95



The Emperor of Lies

Steve Sem-Sandberg

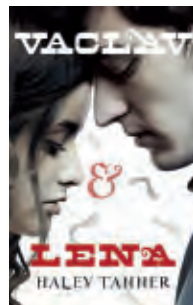
Based on the true story of Mordechai Chaim Rumkowski, a Jewish businessman who became the authoritarian power sustaining Poland's Nazi-established Jewish ghetto in the city of Lodz. Driven by ambition, Rumkowski transformed the ghetto into a productive industrial complex that was indispensable to the Nazi regime. This story poses difficult questions: was Rumkowski a ruthless accessory to the Nazi regime, or a pragmatic strategist who saved Jewish lives through his collaboration policies? 672pp Tp \$32.99



Vaclav and Lena

Haley Tanner

Vaclav and Lena first met as children in an ESL class in Brooklyn. Vaclav is precocious and verbal, while Lena struggles with English and takes comfort in the safety of his noisy, loving home. One day, Lena does not show up for school and disappears from Vaclav's life as if by a cruel trick. For the next seven years, Vaclav wishes her goodnight and wonders if she is doing the same somewhere else. On the eve of Lena's 17th birthday, he finds out... 304pp Tp \$32.95



Everything Beautiful Began After

Simon Van Booy

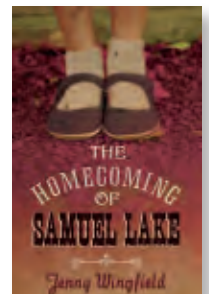
Rebecca is a gifted artist seeking inspiration in Athens as she tries to understand who she is and why she was abandoned as a child. George has come to Athens to learn ancient languages, spending his days hunched over books and wandering the city in a drunken stupor. Henry is an accomplished archaeologist, devotedly uncovering Athens' past as he escapes his own. A series of chance meetings will draw all three into a summer that will define them forever... 416pp Pb \$20.99



The Homecoming of Samuel Lake

Jenny Wingfield

It is 1956 and the preacher Samuel Lake is voted out once again by his congregation, losing his ministry. Out of options, Samuel and his family move in with their Arkansas in-laws, where they initially thrive in the unruly sea of relatives. But things take a turn when Samuel's 11-year-old tomboy Swan crosses the path of Raz Ballenger, their neighbour who rules his family through terror. Raz is insulted when Swan leaps to his son's defence - an act that will set a chain of terrible events into motion... 336pp Pb \$24.99



The End of Everything

Megan Abbott

Lizzie and Evie are inseparable. They walk home from school together, sleep over at each other's houses and flirt with boys together. And they tell each other everything. Or at least, that's what Lizzie thinks - until Evie goes missing and Lizzie realises their friendship wasn't what she thought. A novel about two young girls discovering their sexuality; about fathers and daughters; about family and friendship; about jealousy, secrets and lies... 304pp Tp \$27.99



AUSTRALIAN FICTION

Hello Darkness

Sam de Brito

In Ned's family, journalism is in the genes - and he can't escape his genes or his family. At 39, Ned's life has come full circle and he finds himself back in the news empire where he started his career 20 years ago. Having spent all his time around the same course of Bondi, babes and booze, this is the final sign he's going nowhere. Held back by fear, he searches for the perfect woman to fill the black hole where his heart should be. 324pp Tp \$32.95



Into White Silence

Anthony Eaton

In 1922, the polar exploration vessel Raven sailed from Hobart in the early hours of the morning, southwards to the Antarctic Ocean. Neither she nor the 28 people aboard were ever seen again. In 2005, during a visit to an Australian Antarctic station, a writer discovers a long-lost journal - the only surviving artefact and evidence of the fate of the expedition. It is a discovery that will consume his life and eat into his soul... 416pp Tp \$29.95

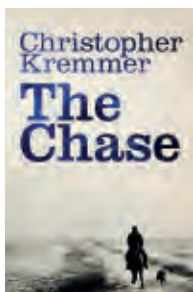


The Chase

Christopher Kremmer

"They're all doing it... it's not so much a contest between horses, as a race to find the best recipe." When scientist Jean Campbell is hired to eliminate drugs in sport, she enters a world where power, privilege and corruption mix easily.

In 1940's Sydney, Jean and her charismatic boss Howard Carter expose the cruel underbelly of the 'sport of kings' only to find themselves in the dock, unaware that the struggle of a young rider, Frank Littell, will determine their fates. 400pp Tp \$32.99



Constance

The Tragic and Scandalous Life of Mrs Oscar Wilde

Franny Moyle

This is the story of Constance Wilde, told with a fresh eye and new material. Drawing on numerous unpublished letters, the author brings to life a woman at the heart of fin-de-siecle London and the Aesthetic movement – until her husband Oscar was convicted for 'homosexual crimes' in 1895. In a compelling tale of an unlikely couple caught up in social scandal, Constance was a victim of one of the greatest betrayals of all time, forced to live in exile until her death. 384pp Tp \$32.99



The Architect of Kokoda

Bert Kienzle - The Man Who Made the Kokoda Track

Robyn Kienzle

If one person 'made' the Kokoda Track, that man was Bert Kienzle. Born in Fiji and raised in Germany and Australia, he was managing a rubber plantation and gold mine in Papua New Guinea at the outbreak of WWII. He surveyed and established the track, spending more time on it than anyone else during the campaign. This is a unique story told by Bert's daughter-in-law, who has access to all his records and photos. This is the untold story of a true Australian war hero. 352pp Tp \$35



BIOGRAPHY

Wait for Me!

Memoirs of the Youngest Mitford Sister

Deborah Devonshire

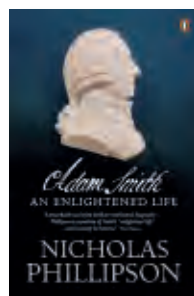
As Duchess of Devonshire, the youngest Mitford sister 'Debo' played an active role in overseeing the day-to-day running of the family houses and gardens and in developing commercial enterprises at Chatsworth. She tells poignantly of her upbringing and the political entanglements of her siblings, the deaths of three of her children and her husband's battle with alcohol. This is an enthralling book, full of the author's wit, which she is not afraid to use upon herself! 384pp Pb \$22.99



Adam Smith

An Enlightened Life
Nicholas Phillipson

Adam Smith is the celebrated author of *The Wealth of Nations* (Pb \$19.95) and the founder of modern economics. Yet Smith considered himself a philosopher, rather than an economist, and did not predict that his economic ideas would become part of a grand scheme to establish a 'Science of Man', an ambitious project of the European Enlightenment. Phillipson reconstructs Smith's intellectual ancestry and formation, giving a radically new account. Also available by this author: **David Hume: The Philosopher as Historian** (Pb \$24.95). 368pp Pb \$24.95



Letters to My Daughter

Sir Robert Menzies

Here are the collected letters written by the founder of the Liberal Party and Australia's longest-serving PM, Robert Menzies, to his daughter Heather. Spanning three decades, his political and personal insights are full of warmth, love and humour. The collection also includes correspondence between Menzies and leaders of the day, including President John F Kennedy and Gough Whitlam. Even the most loyal Labor voter will come away with a different view of Menzies after reading this! 384pp Hb \$39.95



Angel in the Rubble

How I Survived for 27 Hours Under the World Trade Centre Debris

Genelle Guzman-McMillan

On 11 September 2001, Genelle dashed off to work on the 64th floor of the Northern Tower of the World Trade Center as usual. Then a plane slammed into the tower and the building collapsed while Genelle was making her escape down the stairs. As the last survivor to be pulled from the wreckage, she shares her experiences during those dark hours and the immense richness of her life beyond it. 240pp Pb \$24.99



AUSTRALIAN BIOGRAPHY

The Keepers and the Kept

Confessions of a Zookeeper

Terry Boylan

This is a light-hearted account of life at a zoo from a zookeeper's perspective. Rampaging elephants, bizarre behaviours of zoo visitors and animal collecting expeditions to foreign countries all feature in his anecdotes as he reveals how modern zoos have developed into the professional organisations which they have become today. 224pp Pb \$24.95



Say it with Feeling

Gerald Stone

Since his arrival in Australia from the US in the 1960s, Gerald Stone has been at the forefront of Australian news media, with a career spanning the glory days of free-to-air TV. In this fascinating memoir, his journey through the world of Australian TV is full of characters, genuine insights and illuminating stories. His tale offers a panoramic yet intensely personal view of these never-before-heard stories behind some of TV's most treasured moments. 324pp Hb \$49.99



The Cypress Tree

Kamin Mohammadi

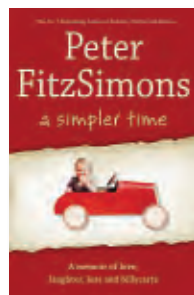
Kamin was nine when her family fled Iran in 1979. Spending her teenage years accommodating British attitudes, she was 27 before returning to Iran, drawn back by memories of her grandmother's house in Abadan and a desire to rediscover her Iranian identity. This passionate memoir is a love letter to Kamin's extraordinary family and to Iran itself - an ancient country which has survived so much modern tumult, but where joy and resilience triumphs over despair. 288pp Tp \$29.99



A Simpler Time

Peter FitzSimons

Peter FitzSimons' account of growing up on the rural outskirts of Sydney in the 1960s is a tribute to family. But it also salutes generations past: when praise was understated but love unstinting, when work was hard and values clear, when people stood by each other in adversity. In this rollicking and often hilarious memoir, FitzSimons describes a childhood of mischief, camaraderie, eccentric characters, drama, constant love and generosity. 416pp Pb \$24.99

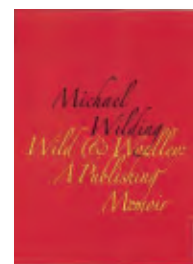


Wild and Woolley

A Publishing Memoir

Michael Wilding

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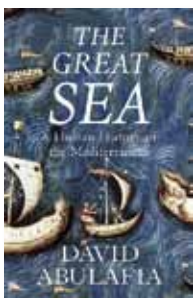


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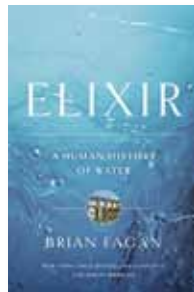
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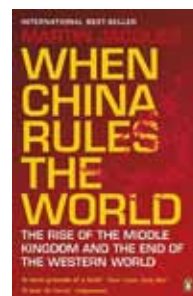


When China Rules the World

*The Rise of the Middle
Kingdom and the End
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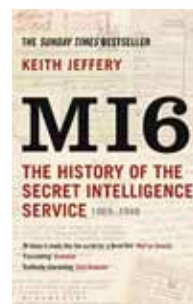
Jacques Martin

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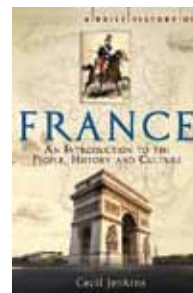
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BARTULIN DE LUXE

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!



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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...
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Quintin Jardine
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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...
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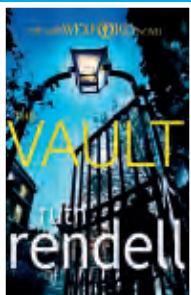
Peter Robinson
Before the Poison

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...
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The Vault
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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...
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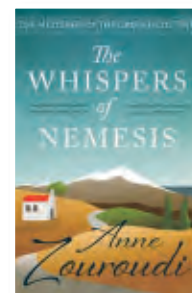
When elderly American tourist Nancy Haynes is murdered after visiting the Chelsea Flower Show, DI Kathy Kolla suspects there is more to the case than first appears. Then another victim is claimed immediately afterwards - this time a Russian oligarch. Is it a KGB assassination? Are the murders linked? Or is Nancy's death just the result of mistaken identity? Kathy determines to dig deeper, but comes up against walls of silence...
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Hermes Diaktoros #5

In the tiny Greek village of Vrisi, 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 Vrisi, as well as the enigmatic last will and testament of Greece's most admired modern poet.
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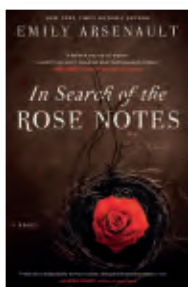


Emily Arsenault

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.

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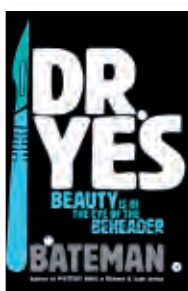


Bateman

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!

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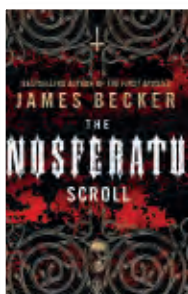


James Becker

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 'Prinzz'. 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



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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

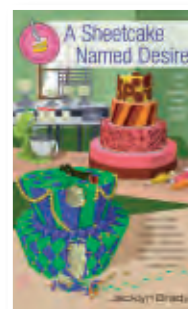


Jacklyn Brady

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!

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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!

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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...

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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!
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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.
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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

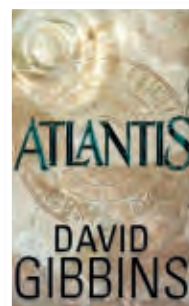
Hanna Denton has returned to California to take over the pie shop her Grannie Louise owned for 30 years. Grannie has now retired and Hanna is trying to live up to Grannie's reputation for baking the best pies in the state. But between rolling dough and working out the magic ingredients that made Grannie's pies so popular, she is faced with an even bigger challenge: convincing the handsome new police chief that Grannie is innocent of murder!
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**Joseph Finder****Buried Secrets**
Nick Heller #2

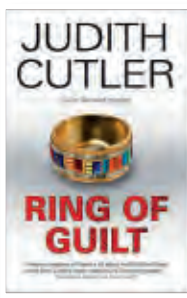
When PI Nick Heller returns to Boston to set up an agency he gets an urgent case sooner than expected. Alexandra Marcus - daughter of hedge fund titan Marshall Marcus - has been kidnapped. Buried alive in an underground casket, a video camera streams her desperate pleas. Nick is determined to catch the 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...
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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...
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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!
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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...
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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...
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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).
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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...
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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



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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



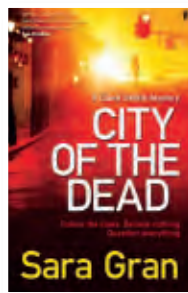
Asa Larsson
Until Thy Wrath be Past
Rebecka Martinsson #4

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 Procedural]* 288pp Tp \$27.99



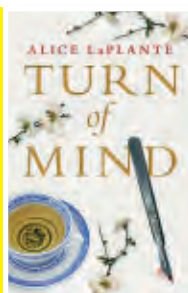
John Grisham
The Confession

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



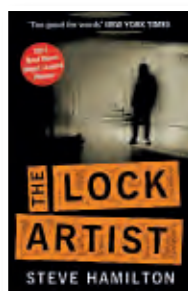
Alice LaPlante
Turn of Mind

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



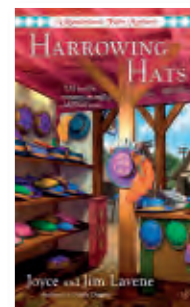
Steve Hamilton
The Lock Artist

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



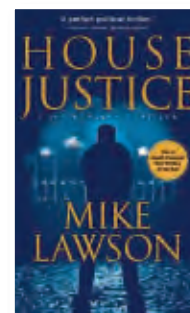
Joyce & Jim Lavene
Harrowing Hats
Renaissance Faire #4

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



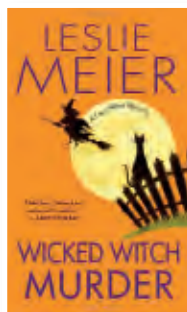
Jeff Lindsay
Dexter is Delicious
Dexter #5

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



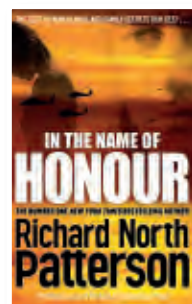
Guillermo Orsi
No-one Loves a Policeman

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 yorkiepoos 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...
[American, Private Eye] 304pp Tp \$32.99



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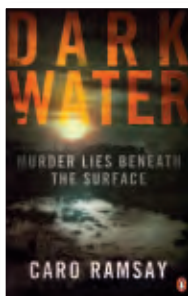
Leif G W Persson
Between Summer's Longing and Winter's End

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.
[Swedish, police Procedural] 640pp Pb \$24.95



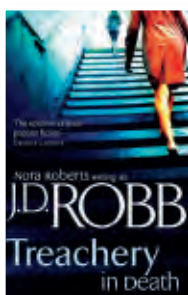
Caro Ramsay
Dark Water

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



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



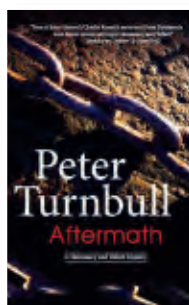
Luis Miguel Rocha
The Holy Assassin

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.
[Portuguese, Clerical/Journalistic] 592pp Pb \$19.95



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...
[English, Police Procedural] 192pp Pb \$24.95



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



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



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



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



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



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



CRIME NON-FICTION

Mark Aitken
Arctic Floor

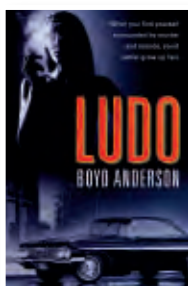
After years of serving as captain in the US Marines Special Forces, Gerry Gallen agrees to lead a team of former soldiers assigned to be the personal security of an eccentric oil billionaire, where he finds himself catapulted into violence and double-crossing. Powerful US and Russian interests are vying 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...

[Australian, Finance] 352pp Pb \$19.95



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*

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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



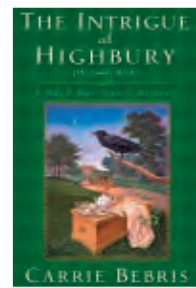
HISTORICAL CRIME



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.

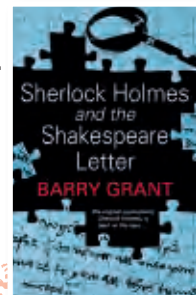
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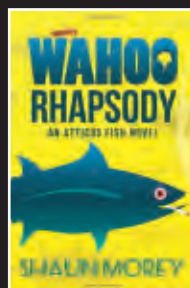
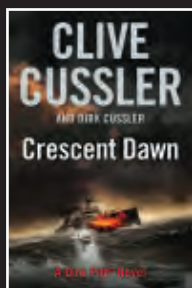


Barry Grant Sherlock Holmes and the Shakespeare Letter

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.

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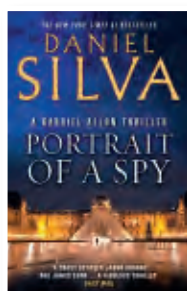
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Gabriel Allon will stop at nothing to see justice done. But what was meant to be a pleasant weekend in London ends up with terrorism and bloodshed on the Thames. Summoned by the CIA, he must combat the new face of global terror: an American-born cleric 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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Bomber County

Daniel Swift

In 1943, James Swift, along with the Lancaster bomber he piloted, vanished. His grandson Daniel has written this book in an attempt to understand the men who took part in these dangerous raids and their devastating impact on the civilians below. In examining the life of one pilot, the author investigates why we have tried to forget this form of warfare and why literature and poetry exploring these terrible losses have not garnered much recognition. 304pp Pb \$24.95



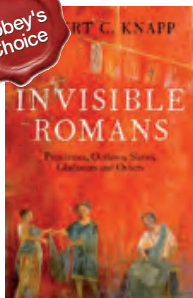
Invisible Romans

Prostitutes, Outlaws, Slaves, Gladiators and Others

Robert C Knapp

Robert Knapp seeks out the ordinary men, housewives, prostitutes, freedmen, slaves, soldiers and gladiators who formed the fabric of everyday life in the ancient Roman world. Examining literature, letters, inscriptions, graffiti and more, he pieces together tell-tale bits of evidence cast off by the visible mass of Roman history and culture, recreating a fascinating world lost from view for two millennia. Here at last the invisible inhabitants of Rome are brought to life! 320pp Hb \$39.99 **\$34.95**

Abbey's Choice



The Most Powerful Idea in the World

A Story of Steam, Industry and Invention

William Rosen

On 25 July 1698, a clerk at the Great Seal Patent Office in London granted a patent that spelt the birth of steam power - and the Industrial Revolution. But what enabled Britain to stake out an industrial lead over the rest of the world? Rosen presents a simple, yet controversial answer: Britain's unique patent laws enshrined the notion that people should profit from their ideas. Thus began the first generation in human history where the desire to invent was prompted by financial gain as much as for knowledge. 400pp Tp \$35



Mary Boleyn

'The Great and Infamous Whore'

Alison Weir

Mary Boleyn is remembered by posterity as a "great and infamous whore". She was the mistress of two kings, Francois I of France and Henry VIII of England, and sister to Anne Boleyn, Henry VIII's second wife. Rumour has it that she secretly bore Henry a child. Weir explores the mythology surrounding Mary, revealing how she was entirely undeserving of her posthumous notoriety and by far the luckiest of the Boleyns. 352pp Tp \$32.95 **\$27.95**

Abbey's Choice



Pakistan

A Hard Country

Anatol Lieven

Strategically placed between Iran, Afghanistan and India, Pakistan has been pulled in different directions since its creation 60 years ago. Far from viewing Pakistan as the failed state often portrayed in the media, this extraordinary book treats it as a viable state functioning within the limits of its own region, rather than that of the West. Critical of US involvement in the region, Lieven offers a sophisticated analysis of Pakistan's social, religious and political history - often overlooked by Western analysts. 576pp Hb \$55



Inheritance

The Story of Knole and the Sackvilles

Robert Sackville-West

Since its purchase in 1604 by Thomas Sackville, first Earl of Dorset, the house at Knole in Kent has been inhabited by thirteen generations of a single aristocratic family: the Sackvilles. Drawing on a wealth of unpublished letters, archives and images, the current incumbent of the seat, Robert Sackville-West, paints a vivid and intimate portrait of the labyrinthine house and the close relationships his colourful ancestors formed with it over the last 400 years. 320pp Pb \$23.99



Running the Show

Governors of the British Empire

Stephanie Williams

This is a vivid portrait of empire and men from another age who formed so much of the world we live in today. Drawn from episodes in the lives of governors serving the British Empire, these are the stories of the attempts made to bring order to chaotic situations. From an astonishing cache of Colonial Office dispatches, private letters, diaries and memoirs, governors recall their strange experiences in the farthest corners of the world. 512pp Hb \$45



The Berlin-Baghdad Express

The Ottoman Empire and Germany's Bid for World Power, 1898-1918

Sean McMeekin

Seeking the Ottomans as an ally to wage war against the British during WWI, Germany found itself in the tantalising position of controlling the extraordinary railway that would link Central Europe and the Persian Gulf. This is a fascinating account of Western interference in the Middle East and its lamentable results, bringing to life a massive area of fighting that transcended the British invasions of Iraq and Palestine. 480pp Pb \$24.95



With Our Backs to the Wall

Victory and Defeat in 1918

David Stevenson

By the end of 1917, Britain and France faced a strategic nightmare as Germany steadily made gains on the Western Front. Yet one year later, the fighting ended in a decisive Allied victory - a dramatic reversal of fortune along with the collapse of Germany and its partners. Everything from food supply to finance, from strategy to technology, is explored in an assessment that reveals the nerve-racking decisions and sheer uncertainty faced by the leaders. 736pp Hb \$59.95



Atlantic

A Vast Ocean of a Million Stories

Simon Winchester

190 million years ago, the shifting of two tectonic plates led to the creation of an immense chasm. This giant gash in the flanks of the planet slowly opened up and eventually evolved into the most travelled ocean in our world: the Atlantic. In this unique history, Winchester explores the life of the Atlantic; it's birth, its relationship with mankind throughout the years and what lies in store for it once man has left the stage. 400pp Pb \$27.99



Courtiers

The Secret History of the Georgian Court
Lucy Worsley

Ambitious and talented people flocked to court in search of power and prestige, but while the inhabitants of Kensington Palace were cocooned in comfort and splendour, successful courtiers had level heads, cold hearts and many secrets. This volume is an eye-opening portrait of an enthralling group of royal servants, shedding new light on the dramatic life of George II and Queen Caroline: a lover murdered, babies snatched, horrific illnesses and tearful deathbed reconciliations. 432pp Pb \$22.99



Cruiser

The Life and Loss of HMAS Perth and Her Crew
Mike Carlton

Of all the Australians who fought in WWII, none saw more action than the crew of *HMAS Perth*. In three years, the crew did battle with Nazi Germany, Fascist Italy, the Vichy French and the Imperial Japanese Navy. In 1942, *HMAS Perth* joined the campaign to stem the Japanese advance towards Australia, where she was sunk with 353 of her crew, with another 328 taken into Japanese captivity. This is the crew's story and the story of those who loved and waited for them. 704pp Tp \$34.95



Kinglake-350

In February 2009, a country cop led a group of 50 people to safety through burning bush at the epicentre of the worst bushfire disaster in Australian history: Black Saturday sparked such stories of heroism, grief and desolation all over the state of Victoria. This book is about the heroism of those who confronted the burning monster in the small community of Kinglake. "This is a masterpiece of storytelling about the most terrifying natural disaster in Australia's recorded history... Of its type, I have read none better." ~ Kerry O'Brien 320pp Tp \$32.95



AUSTRALIAN HISTORY

The Men Who Came Out of the Ground

Paul Cleary
By February 1942, the Japanese had invaded the Dutch East Indies as part of their push south. All that prevented their involvement in the fighting at Papua New Guinea was 700 Australian commandos and a few hundred Dutch soldiers. This is the story of heroic fighting, courage and ingenuity in the face of supply and equipment problems and the support and friendship of the locals. It is the story of Australia's Special Forces in action as they achieved what they set out to do. 400pp Pb \$24.95



Air Force

Inside the New Era of Australian Air Power
Ian McPhedran

McPhedran takes us on an exclusive journey to the heart of the Royal Australian Air Force in its 90th year, via the personal stories of fighter pilots flying over Iraq and Afghanistan and the men and women who deliver humanitarian aid around the world. From Canberra to the far-flung bases around the world, this volume documents more than a decade of rapid change as technology propels the RAAF into the next generation of air power and the futuristic era of stealth. 384pp Tp \$35



Whispering Death

Australian Airmen in the Pacific War
Mark Johnston

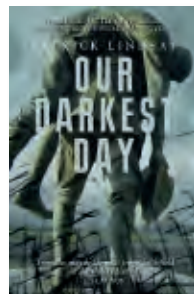
Johnston explains how more than 130,000 Australian airmen fought Japan in the Pacific War from 1941 to 1945. They clashed over a vast area, from India to Noumea, Bass Strait to the Philippines. Yet Australia's flight to victory was never smooth, thanks to internal squabbling within the RAAF and a difficult relationship with the Allies that Australia depended upon for aircraft and leadership. Based on thousands of official and private documents, this book makes for compelling reading! 536pp Tp \$35



Our Darkest Day

The Tragic Battle of Fromelles
Patrick Lindsay

In 1916, Australia suffered its worst military defeat when a British officer ordered 15,000 Australian soldiers to attack the German line near the French village of Fromelles. Eight hours later, over 5,500 Diggers lay dead or wounded. Fromelles ranks as Australia's worst military disaster, yet barely rates a mention in the annals of history. In this passionate retelling, Lindsay travels to the killing fields of France in his quest to honour the fallen and unravel this mystery of WWI. Also now available is the updated edition of *The Spirit of the Digger* (Tp \$35). 336pp Pb \$24.95



Bushrangers

Australia's Greatest Self-made Heroes
Evan McHugh

From the first convict runaways to the spectacular showdown that ended Ned Kelly's career, bushranging has fascinated generations of Australians with tales of daring exploits, extraordinary horsemanship and courage under fire. Based on extensive first-hand accounts and meticulous research, this book stands and delivers! 336pp Tp \$32.95



SCIENCE

Branches

Nature's Patterns: A Tapestry in Three Parts
Philip Ball

Part of a trilogy exploring patterns in nature, this book explores the form and growth of branching networks in the natural world. Many patterns in nature show a branching form - trees, river deltas, blood vessels and lightning. These networks share a peculiar geometry, finding a compromise between disorder and determinism. Like many human-made networks, nature's patterns often arise from economical solutions. Also available in this series: *Flow* and *Shapes* (Pb \$24.95 each). 236pp Pb \$24.95



The Space Shuttle

Celebrating Thirty Years of NASA's First Space Plane

Piers Bizony

This lavishly illustrated book marks a special moment in history: the final mission of the space shuttle, as well as a retrospective covering all 134 space shuttle missions. It explores the development and design of the space shuttle and the technical specifications of the vehicle and details of its major assemblies and subassemblies. Also included is a full double-gatefold, providing a large-scale technical drawing of the space shuttle. 300pp Hb \$59.95



Chasing the Sun

The Epic Story of the Star That Gives Us Life
Richard Cohen

This is a cultural and scientific history of our relationship with the Sun, ranging across ancient Greek astronomers, modern-day solar scientists, Stonehenge, the crucial 'sunspot cycle' in modern economics, the religious dances of Indian tribesmen, sundials and calendars, migrating birds, the latest theories of global warming and Galileo recording his discoveries in code for fear of persecution. 720pp Pb \$22.99



The Korean War

Australia in the Giants' Playground
Cameron Forbes

The Korean War was fought at the height of the Cold War. Yet Australia's involvement in Korea during those three years has been largely overlooked.

A riveting narrative of Australia's contribution, using the letters and diaries of those diggers who fought across unforgiving hills and mountains - to the grand strategies formulated in Washington, Moscow and Beijing. 544pp Tp \$34.99



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Seeing Further *The Story of Science and the Royal Society* **Bill Bryson (editor)**

Introduced by Bill Bryson and including contributions from Richard Dawkins, Margaret Atwood, David Attenborough and more, this book celebrates the 350th anniversary of the Royal Society. Since its inception in 1660, it has pioneered scientific discovery, with personalities such as Charles Darwin, Isaac Newton and Albert Einstein. With unrestricted access to the archives, Bryson demonstrates how scientific endeavour shapes today's world. 496pp Tp \$32.99



The Watchman's Rattle

Thinking Our Way Out of Extinction
Rebecca Costa

What if our brain limits us from solving complex problems, such as the worldwide recession, global warming and poverty? If ancient civilisations collapsed because they hit a cognitive limit, are we headed for a similar fate? Using historical and modern examples, this book describes the cognitive gridlock that sets in when complexity overwhelms the brain's ability to manage it. This provocative, engaging study, reveals that the human brain can be retrained to resolve complexity. 352pp Tp \$32.95



The Man of Numbers *Fibonacci's Arithmetic Revolution* **Keith Devlin**

Devised in India in the seventh and eighth centuries and brought to North Africa by Muslim traders, the Hindu-Arabic system transformed the West into a scientific and commercial force. When Leonardo of Pisa travelled to North Africa, he learned the Hindu number system and subsequently wrote 'Liber abbaci' - the 'Book of Calculation'. Its publication led directly to large-scale commerce and a scientific revolution of the Renaissance. 192pp Tp \$29.99



The Wavewatcher's Companion **Gavin Pretor-Pinney**

From the rippling beat of our heart to the movement of food through our digestive tract, waves are the transport systems of our bodies. Everything we see and hear reaches us via light and sound waves and our information age is reliant on the microwaves and infrared waves used by the telephone and internet. So what do these waves have in common with the waves at the beach? This fascinating book tunes you in to life's many undulations! 336pp Pb \$23.99



How to Use eBay and PayPal

Todd Alexander

Today, more than 78% of all items available on eBay are fixed price and the site no longer specialises in second-hand items sold at auction. This volume includes the latest information and site changes for both eBay and PayPal, as well as tips for finding the best bargains from overseas and using your mobile to buy and sell. This helpful guide, written in a user-friendly style, is essential for anyone looking to save money or make extra cash online. 208pp Pb \$14.99

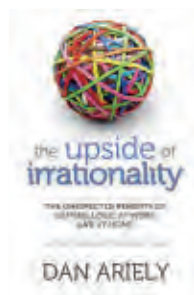


MISCELLANEOUS

The Upside of Irrationality *The Unexpected Benefits of Defying Logic at Work and at Home*

Dan Ariely

How does human behaviour leads us astray in our romantic relationships, in our experiences in the workplace and in our temptations to cheat? Blending everyday experience with groundbreaking research, Ariely explains how expectations, emotions, social norms and other invisible, seemingly illogical forces skew our reasoning abilities, emphasising the important role that irrationality plays in day-to-day decision-making. 352pp Pb \$21.99



Handel's Bestiary *In Search of Animals in Handel's Operas* **Donna Leon**

When Donna Leon is not conjuring tales of crime in Venice, she is listening to George Frideric Handel, who filled his operas with arias that make reference to animals. Leon draws on her love of Handel to assemble a bestiary of her own. 12 chapters trace 12 animals through history, mythology and the arias. Each is joined by whimsical illustrations by German painter Michael Sowa. Fascinating and original, this volume springs to life with Leon's knowledge and wit. 144pp Hb \$39.95



Australian Wine Companion **James Halliday**

Keenly anticipated by winemakers, faithful collectors and wine lovers, this 2012 edition has been completely revised. Halliday shares his extensive knowledge of wine via detailed tasting notes. He provides important details on wineries, as well as information about winemakers. An indispensable reference for all enthusiasts of Australian wine, this is a must-have for anyone planning to visit a wine-growing region or to replenish their wine collection! 768pp Tp \$36.95



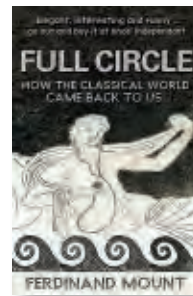
Too Much Luck *The Mining Boom and Australia's Future* **Paul Cleary**

Today, under-taxed and under-regulated multinational companies make a tidy profit by selling off non-renewable resources. As the mining boom accelerates, it will drive the dollar sky-high, increasing the cost of doing business for everybody. But what happens if commodity prices suddenly collapse? Many countries before have been caught in the resources trap. Paul Cleary maps the pitfalls and suggests a better way forward. 160pp Pb \$24.95



Full Circle *How the Classical World Came Back to Us* **Ferdinand Mount**

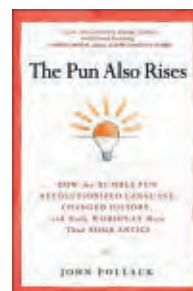
Much about today's modern society bears an astonishing resemblance to the most prominent features of what we call the 'classical world': institutions, priorities, entertainment, physics, sexual morality, food, politics and religion. Our rich and varied lives correspond almost eerily to the ways in which the Greeks and Romans lived theirs. Peeling back 2,000 years of history, Mount reveals similarities both trivial and crucial. 448pp Pb \$22.99



The Pun Also Rises *How the Humble Pun Revolutionized Language, Changed History and Made Wordplay More Than Some Antics*

John Pollack

John Pollack is a former World Pun Champion and speechwriter for Bill Clinton and here he explains why puns and wordplay are significant. Puns revolutionised language and played a pivotal role in making the modern world possible. Skilfully weaving together stories and evidence from history, brain science, pop culture, literature, anthropology and humour, this is an authoritative yet playful exploration. 240pp Pb \$24.95



Sex at Dawn *The Prehistoric Origins of Modern Sexuality* **Christopher Ryan & Cacilda Jethá**

In this groundbreaking book, the authors argue that human beings evolved in egalitarian groups that shared food, child care... and sexual partners. Weaving together evidence from anthropology, archaeology, primatology, anatomy and psychosexuality, the authors show how far from human nature monogamy really is. Shocking, enlightening and ultimately inspiring, this book offers a revolutionary understanding of why we live and love as we do. 416pp Pb \$27.95





I'm excited about the new prices for Penguin's *Black Classics*: the vast majority have now been reduced to only \$9.95, which is great value. Abbey's has had a long history with both Penguin and the *Black Classics*, and we continue to stock most of them: over 500 titles on our shelves at last count! Pop onto our website homepage for the complete list, or for a separate list of just those titles currently in stock. A few *Black Classics* have not been affected by the price change – 'indent' titles that are not stocked in Australia by Penguin, but instead are shipped here from the UK when we order them. We still sell a surprising number of these indent titles, which just shows how specialised the interests of our customers are.

Two interesting titles in Astronomy are ***A Grand and Bold Thing: An Extraordinary New Map of the Universe Ushering in a New Era of Discovery*** by Ann Finkbeiner (\$45 Hb) and ***The Farthest Shore: A 21st Century Guide to Space*** edited by Belton & Buckley (\$55 Hb 416pp), in which authors from around the world provide a broad-based view, suitable for both scholars and laymen. We also have a new historical novel about Galileo and Kepler called ***The Sky's Dark Labyrinth*** (\$29.95 Hb 272pp). Manager David Hall is interested in Astronomy and is a good one to ask if you have any questions.

Are you signed up for the Abbey's email newsletter? In addition to the combined *Abbey's Advocate* and *Crime Chronicle* each month, we now also send out an extra email halfway through the month with news of new titles and prize-winners, such as Kim Scott who won the *Miles Franklin Award* for the second time with his novel ***That Deadman Dance*** (\$22.99 Pb), and the winner and shortlist for the BBC *Samuel Johnson Prize for Non-Fiction*. I'm always interested in this list. This year there are six titles: ***Mao's Great Famine 1958-62*** by Frank Dikotter (\$35 Pb 448pp – the winner), ***Caravaggio: A Life Sacred and Profane*** by Andrew Graham Dixon (\$59.95 Hb 544pp), ***Liberty's Exiles: The Loss of America and the Remaking of the British Empire*** by Maya Jesanoff (\$44.95 Hb 450pp), ***The Rational Optimist: How Prosperity Evolves*** by Matt Ridley (\$35 Pb 448pp), ***Bismarck: A Life*** by Jonathan Steinberg (\$48.95 Hb 592pp) and ***Reprobates: The Cavaliers of the English Civil War*** by John Stubbs (\$49.95 Hb 560pp). What great choices – every one of them is worth reading – when you get the time. I remember when one of my favourite books won this award. It was why I read it. It was ***Stasiland: Stories from Behind the Berlin Wall*** by local author Anna Funder (\$26.95 Pb 304pp), whose new novel ***All That I Am*** (Tp \$29.95) is due next month.

If you click on any of the six Subject Tabs at the top of the email (Fiction, Crime, History, Science, Biography & Bargains), you get a resume of recent arrivals in those sections. It takes a few seconds for the computer to search for the information, but it is a very useful tool. For instance, there were 44 new arrivals in Fiction, 31 in Science, 61 in History and 34 in Biography. We were putting the whole *Crime Chronicle* under the Crime heading, but will now just put in recent arrivals, which should suit more people as the entire *Crime Chronicle* is always available on the website. I sometimes think there are too many entries in our new database.

What a pleasure it is to read a good novel! One I can recommend to old or young, male or female, is the first novel from Craig Sherborne, whose two earlier books were the memoirs *Hoi Polloi* (\$19.95 Pb 208pp) and *Muck* (\$19.95 Pb 208pp). These received good reviews and sold well. Now his first novel ***The Amateur Science of Love*** (\$32.95 Pb 280pp) also reads a bit like a memoir. It is written in the first person, confessional style, by a handsome young man who is escaping his rural New Zealand childhood and looking for an exciting future, first in London and then in rural Australia. The tone is quite serious, the pace is cracking and I just couldn't wait to reach the end. Top marks. I suspect Sherborne has let the cat out of the bag and this is the way many young men think!

Mandy Sayers' novel ***Love in the Years of Lunacy*** (32.99 Pb 320pp) is a nice read. Set in Kings Cross and New Guinea during the Second World War, the gutsy heroine plays saxophone at the Trocadero, her twin brother is also a jazz man and American servicemen are in town. It is neatly plotted, although I personally found her prize-winning autobiography ***Dreamtime Alice*** (\$24.95 Pb) to be more engrossing.



Last month I highly recommended ***I Hate Martin Amis et al*** by Peter Barry (\$29.95 256pp), which is told in the voice of a would-be writer who seriously hates publishers, agents and reviewers. He goes off to Sarajevo to work as a sniper in the Serbian army in the hope of gaining material for a shocking novel. And indeed he does. Terrific writing. Does he have another book in him? After reading this I noticed our price label said 'Fiction Australia'. It seemed odd to shelve it there as the novel is set in England and Serbia, while the author seems to be a world traveller. But he gets put in Australian Fiction because he lives in Melbourne. Greg and I both agreed it was a difficult decision. However, we do have many overseas visitors who come in and ask "Where are your Australian writers?" so we still see the need for this section. I wonder what British readers think of Australian Fiction?

Patrick Leigh Fermor has died aged 95. I'm not sure if he was more famous for his travel writing or his daring exploits in Greece and Crete during the Second World War. The first two volumes of his autobiography / travel memoir were ***A Time of Gifts*** (\$24.95 Pb 304pp) and ***Between the Woods and the Water*** (\$24.99 Pb 256pp). These described his walk across Europe from Rotterdam to Istanbul when he was in his late teens. The third volume, much awaited, never appeared, but maybe will turn up posthumously. ***Mani: Travels in the Southern Peloponnese*** (\$24.99 Pb) and ***Roumeli: Travels in Northern Greece*** (\$26.95 260pp) provide precious background if you are travelling in Greece. ***A Time to Keep Silence*** (\$21.95 Pb 112pp) was a beautiful meditation about his visits to four different monasteries where the monks had taken a vow of silence. A less well-known travel book in stock is ***Three Letters from the Andes*** (\$22.99 Pb 128pp). I think his only novel is ***Violins of Saint Jacques: A Tale of the Antilles*** (\$22.99 Pb 144pp).

It's the 66th birthday of Aung San Suu Kyi this year, which explains yet another biography of this remarkable woman, still hoping for democracy in her country of Burma. It is called ***Struggle for Freedom: Aung San Suu Kyi: A Biography*** by Jesper Bengtsson (\$35 Pb 307pp). She is no longer under house arrest and still hopes for an answer to the question "How can democracy emerge from a profoundly authoritarian system?" She gave the first of the BBC Reith Lectures recently. If you don't already know the story of her father's struggle for Burmese independence, you'll find it all in here too.

If you want another picture of her country, read ***From the Land of Green Ghosts: A Burmese Odyssey*** by Pascal Khoo Thwe (\$24.99 Pb 320pp), which we always keep in stock. (I suspect all the Burmese refugees in Sydney know they can get it here). The author is a member of the Padaung hill tribe, where women traditionally wore rings to elongate their necks. Pascal eventually got a scholarship to study at Cambridge University and this is his story of his tribe. Beautifully written.

Are you one of those people who start buying little Christmas presents about now? Can I recommend a lovely little hardback called ***A Potted History of Vegetables*** by Lorraine Harrison (\$24.99 Hb 128pp incl index). There are beautiful botanical illustrations among the short, informative articles about vegetables, both new and heritage. You'll see why you certainly don't eat Mexican Jumping Beans and how to grow and harvest Heirloom Onions. A very nice present for almost anyone actually, for we all eat our vegetables, some more than others.

I've just begun reading ***A Journey*** by Tony Blair (\$35 Pb 718pp incl index), which is written in a very open and frank style. I'm sure I will enjoy it.

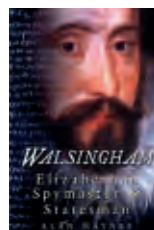
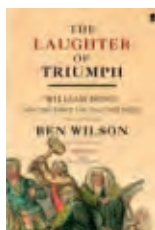
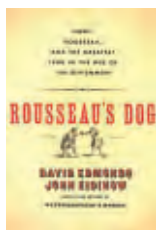
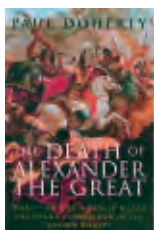
Australian Book Review has advised 21 November is the closing date for the eighth *Peter Porter Poetry Prize*, which has a first prize of \$4,000 and \$250 for shortlisted poems. See the ABR website for more details.

I'm heading off soon on a bus trip past Broken Hill, so I'll have some other interests to share with you by the time the next *Abbey's Advocate* comes your way. **Eve**

Abbey's Bargains

August

WHILE STOCKS LAST



The Death of Alexander the Great *What or Who Really Killed the Young Conqueror of the Known World* **Paul Doherty** Hb \$37.95 **\$14.95**

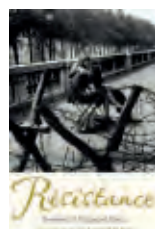
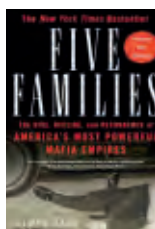
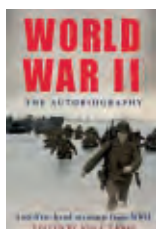
Rousseau's Dog *Two Great Thinkers at War in the Age of Enlightenment* **David Edmonds & John Edinow** Hb \$37.95 **\$12.95**

The Laughter of Triumph *William Hone and the Fight for the Free Press* **Ben Wilson** Pb \$29.95 **\$12.95**

Metternich *The Autobiography, 1773-1815* **Prince Clemens von Metternich** Pb \$34.95 **\$14.95**

Walsingham *Elizabethan Spymaster and Statesman* **Alan Haynes** Tp \$44.95 **\$19.95**

The Story of Yiddish *How a Mish Mosh of Languages Saved the Jews* **Neal Karlen** Hb \$49.99 **\$17.95**



A History of Britain v. 2 British Wars 1603-1776 **Simon Schama** Tp \$39.95 **\$19.95**

World War II The Autobiography **Jon E Lewis** Pb \$24.99 **\$12.95**

Five Families *The Rise, Decline, and Resurgence of America's Most Powerful Mafia Empires* **Selwyn Raab** Tp \$27.95 **\$12.95**

Germany: Jekyll and Hyde *A Contemporary Account of Nazi Germany* **Sebastian Haffner** Pb \$27.99 **\$12.95**

Secret Wars *One Hundred Years of British Intelligence Inside MI5 and MI6* **Gordon Thomas** Hb \$50 **\$19.95**

Resistance *Memoirs of Occupied France* **Agnes Humbert** Hb \$39.95 **\$12.95**



Cecil B. DeMille and the Golden Calf **Simon Louvish** Hb \$59.95 **\$19.95**

Feast *Why Humans Share Food* **Martin Jones** Tp \$39.95 **\$16.95**

The Private Lives of the Impressionists **Sue Roe** Hb \$44 **\$19.95**

Who's Who in the Age of Jesus **Geza Vermes** Hb \$60 **\$24.95**

The Year of Eating Dangerously *A Global Adventure in Search of Culinary Extremes* **Tom Parker Bowles** Hb \$45 **\$12.95**

The Faber Book of Gardens **Philip Robinson** Hb \$49.95 **\$18.95**

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Kim Scott (Pb \$22.99)
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Anne Perry (Pb \$19.99)
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- 4. Smut**
Alan Bennett (Hb \$24.99)
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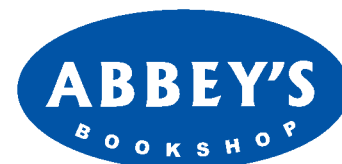
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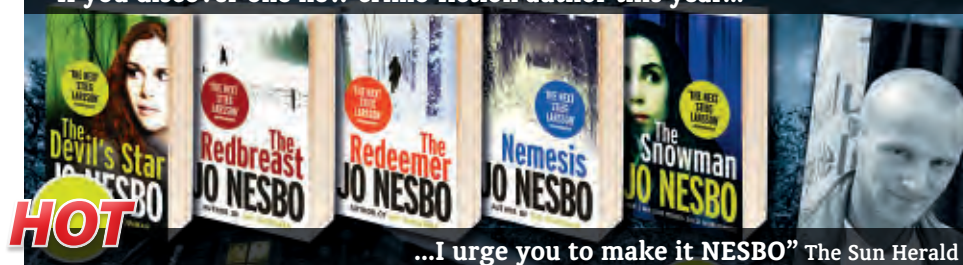
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