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2007: THE YEAR IN REVIEW

Completing the list of 2007 bestsellers from our February Chronicle:

TOP 5 AUDIO CRIME

Francis Durbridge: Paul Temple and the Sullivan Mystery (4 CDs) \$39.95 Kerry Greenwood: Murder in the Dark (7 CDs) \$29.95 Agatha Christie: Dumb Witness (2 CDs) \$29.95 Arthur Conan Doyle: Sherlock Holmes Collection (8 CDs) \$70.00

Ellis Peters: Devil's Novice (2 CDs) \$39.95

TOP 5 NON-FICTION CRIME

Keith Devlin & Gary Lorden: Numbers Behind Numb3rs: Solving Crime with Mathematics (Pb \$19.95) Michael Kuzilny: Life in Crime (Pb \$24.95) Peter Doyle & Caleb Williams:

City of Shadows: Sydney Police Photographs 1912-1948 (Hb \$65.00) Tony Reeves: The Abe Saffron Dossiers (Pb \$24.95) Angela Kamper & Charles Miranda: My Brother's Keeper (Pb \$24.95)

TOP 5 CRIME ANTHOLOGIES

Mike Ashley (ed): Mammoth Book of Perfect Crimes & Impossible Mysteries (Pb \$24.95) Otto Penzler (ed): Pulp Fiction: The Villains (Tp \$32.95) Sara Paretsky (ed): Sisters on the Case (Pb \$17.95)

Otto Penzler (ed): Pulp Fiction: Crimefighters (Pb \$22.95) Dana Stabenow (ed): Powers of Detection (Pb \$18.95)

PS. A bug got into the system in last month's Chronicle.... Peter Temple's The Broken Shore got rave reviews on the First Tuesday Book Club on ABC TV in Australia (although it almost certainly also got rave reviews in the UK as well, where it became a bestseller).

(Public Holiday)



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UEBRA7/WC Street Loss at 477 George lists of crime authors who were of particular interest to our customers. All in all, I seem to remember compiling about 20 lists, which were available free. After we issued the first Crime Chronicle from 66 King Street. I compiled a complete Crime

Catalogue - a long and arduous task - and typed it up before sending it to the printer (this was before computers!).

In March 1987, being a martyr to the cause, I prepared a second edition and again typed it up for the printer. In 1994, we issued a third and final 94-page edition called Crime Scene, which thankfully was compiled with the assistance of a computer! This included a True Crime section and a list that matched characters with their creators. The fiction section also highlighted

Australian authors. It was a huge task and a very timeconsuming one.

Although I always had good intentions to revise this edition, that never quite happened. Nowadays, what with the internet and websites, it is probably somewhat passé, but l believe, and I hope, these were useful tools at the time.



A CASE SOLVED



Sunday

Monday

On Sunday 3 February, I went along to Partners in Crime at the Hughenden Hotel to hear Breanda Cross speak about her book Shark Arm Unhooked? (Pb 264pp \$24.95). It was fascinating to hear about her interest in the infamous and sensational (at the time) Shark Arm Case and how she came to write her book. Although told in novel form, Breanda thinks it should be called 'faction' as the book is peopled with real people and what they did. Drinking, drug dealing, muggings and the occasional murder, these were everyday occurrences in Sydney's Surry Hills in 1935. Then something happened. Something so bizarre, so strange, that the world tuned in daily to find out what happened in the Shark Arm Case. They never did find out... until now. Meet all the famous and infamous characters of the time including Tilly Devine and Kate Leigh. It is a story of a time when the crims were bad, the cops were corrupt, and it didn't pay to squeal. A fascinating journey back in time! I have a few copies left from the talk and that is all I can get, so first come first served.

- Peter

MODERN (RIME

James ANDERSON The Affair of the Mutilated Mink Coat (1981) 216pp Hb \$49.95



Inspector Wilkens #2 The Earl of Burford hosts another slightly batty, thoroughly baffling house party... Nothing can top the merrilv murderous 1930s house party for a puzzler! Due Mar (English)



Roderick ANSCOMBE

🔆 Virain Lies 320pp Pb \$13.95 One summer day, Boston forensic psychiatrist Paul Lucas gets a call from his social worker wife, Abby, a nine-yearold girl has gone missing. Paul, an expert interrogator, is called in to help evaluate the testimony of the only witness: a homeless woman who happens to be a paranoid schizophrenic. Further interviews with other possible witnesses go nowhere, frustrating detectives and calling into doubt Paul's role in the case. Believing the girl is alive but soon to die, Paul is pushed to the brink of a professional abyss... Due Mar (American) Susan ARNOULT SMITH

The Timer Game 512pp Tp \$30.00 Orace Descanso is a young single mother working for CSI San Diego. It's a demanding job, Grace can't spend as much time as she would like with her 5year-old daughter Katie. But when a routine crime scene turns into a bloodbath. Grace realises that someone is after her. Then Katie is snatched from their house... Due Mar (American)

Sarah ATWELL

Through a Glass Deadly E 20 288pp Pb \$13.95 Glassblowing Mystery #1. Glassblower Emmeline Dowell has made a home for herself among the artists of Tucson's Warehouse District. But her friendship with troubled newcomer Allison McBride takes a dangerous turn when Allison's husband turns up dead in Em's studio. Now Emmeline is involved in a murder investigation that reaches beyond the sunny Southwest. And when the killer acts again, it's up to her to pick up the shards of Allison's life before it's too late. Due Mar (American)

Deb BAKER

Dolly Departed E 288pp Pb \$13.95 Dolls to Die For Mystery #3. When doll restoration artist Gretchen Birch finds the owner of a dollhouse shop murdered, she winds up in the thick of a mystery of miniature proportions. Due Mar

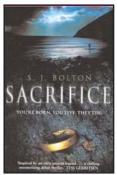
Karna Small BODMAN

(American)

Checkmate 384pp Pb \$13.95 Computer genius Cameron 'Cammy' Talbot of Bandaq Technologies has developed a program whereby she's able to hack into the guidance system of an incoming cruise missile and redirect it back against whoever fired it. Meanwhile, a Muslim terror group bent on taking over Kashmir has stolen three Pakistani cruise missiles, one of which it has fired into India in an effort to provoke a nuclear response against Pakistan. Debut. Due Mar (American)

S J BOLTON ***** Sacrifice

Moving to remote Shetland has unsettling been enough for consultant surgeon Tora Hamilton, even before the gruesome discovery she makes one raindrenched Sunday afternoon. Deep in the peat soil of her



352pp Tp \$32.95

field she is shocked to find the perfectly preserved body of a young woman, a gaping hole in her chest where her heart has been brutally removed. Three rune marks etched into the woman's skin bear an eerie resemblance to carvings Tora has seen all over the islands... Debut. Due Mar (English)

Allison BRENNAN

🇱 Killing Fear 320pp Tp \$33.00 Six years ago, lawyer Theodore Glenn was convicted of brutally murdering four strippers in San Diego. But as he was dragged from the courtroom, he made a vehement promise to kill all those who testified against him... Due Mar (American)

Sandra BROWN 🔆 Play Dirty

416pp Pb \$20.00

His release from prison should have been the end of Griff Burkett's troubles, but it wasn't. Once an American football star, Griff is now reviled by fans for throwing a championship game. His fortune lost, he remains under the dark shadow of suspicion for an unsolved murder. Moreover, his worst enemy, the man who has pledged to destroy him, is tracking his every move. So when eccentric millionaire Foster Speakman offers Griff a vast amount of money in exchange for impregnating his wife Laura, Griff readily agrees. Little does he know that this bizarre contract will trap him in a web of betraval, with deadly consequences... Due Mar (American)

James Lee BURKE

Jesus Out to Sea (Short Stories) 256pp Tp \$33.00

This powerful new collection ranges across landscapes that Burke has made his own, from rural Louisiana and Mississippi to war-torn Vietnam and a New Orleans ravaged by Hurricane Katrina. Told with his trademark blend of lyrical prose and hard-eyed realism, they bring a host of extraordinary characters to vivid life: soldiers and prostitutes, nuns and children, musicians and gangsters, all the while movingly exploring the near certainty of tragedy to come and the smouldering embers of possibility in the ashes of blighted lives. Due Mar (American)



J BURLEY Wycliffe and the Dunes Mystery **(1993**) 219pp Pb \$20.00

Cochran Wilder disappeared 15 years ago while on a walking holiday in Cornwall. Recently released from a psychiatric hospital after being convicted of indecent assault, he had been a serious embarrassment to his father, a prominent MP. Now his body has been found, buried in the dunes... (English)

Tom CAIN

🇱 The Accident Man560pp Pb \$19.95

Meet the Accident Man, Samuel Carver, a good guy who makes bad things happen to bad people. Ex-SAS, now freelance mercenary he is the frontline the weapon of "Consortium" а black-ops British government outfit, or



is it? Carver is called to do a hit at very short notice. He believes the target to be a high-ranking Pakistani terrorist. The job is to organise a car crash in a Paris underpass. But Carver is being set up... Due Mar (American)

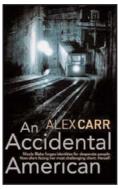
Lorenzo CARCATERRA

The Chasers 432pp Pb \$19.95 The Apaches, a cadre of controversial former NYPD cops first appeared in Carcaterra's previous novel, Apaches (Pb \$17.95). In this sequel, set three years later, the surviving members of the team reunite to continue their relentless battle against crime. Their new adventure is kick-started by the machine-gun murder of innocent bystanders in a Manhattan restaurant. It's the Apaches versus the drug lords in an all-out New York City street war. Due Mar (American)

Alex CARR 💥 An Accidental American 240pp Pb \$20.00

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Nicole has experienced enough danger and excitement to last her several lifetimes. But a sixvear spell in Marseilles toughest prison has cured her adrenaline habit. A farmhouse buried deep in the French



Pyrenees, a garden to tend, and the occasional job whipping up a passport or a visa to pay for her simple lifestyle will do her fine. John Valsamis could have been any tourist, a solitary American needing directions in Nicole's empty corner of the world. But she knows he isn't... Due Mar (American)

Sean CHERCOVER Big City Bad Blood 352pp Pb \$15.95

Disillusioned newspaper reporterturned-private detective Ray Dudgeon doesn't want to save the world, he just wants to do an honest job well. But when doing an honest job threatens society's most powerful and corrupt, Ray's odds of survival make for a sucker's bet. A simple bodyguard job for a Hollywood locations manager uncovers a rats' nest of sexual blackmail, murder, and high-level political corruption, and Ray Dudgeon is caught in a war between the FBI, the Chicago police, and the mob. With the line between good and bad blurring, Ray doesn't know who he can trust... Due Mar (American)

Laura CHILDS

Dragonwell Dead E

200 304pp Pb \$15.95 Tea Shop Mystery #8. Although Theodosia Browning barely knows a Phalinopsis from a Bog Rose, she still enjoys Charleston's Spring Plantation Ramble, especially since she can promote her Indigo Tea Shop and her latest concoction, Dragonwell Sweet Tea. But the party's over when Mark Congdon wins a bid for a rare orchid, and promptly dies. It looks like a simple heart attack, but Theo suspects that someone purposely turned his green thumb blue. Due Mar (American)

Agatha CHRISTIE

Partners in Crime (1929) SE.

224pp Pb \$17.00 Tommy and Tuppence Beresford were restless for adventure, so when they were asked to take over Blunt's International Detective Agency, they leapt at the chance. After their triumphant recovery of a pink pearl, intriguing cases kept on coming their way. *Due Mar* (English)

Hercule Poirot's Christmas 1 25 (1939) 224pp Pb \$17.00 **Facsimile Edn** 251pp Hb \$30.00 Poirot #19. It is Christmas Eve. The Lee family reunion is shattered by a deafening crash of furniture, followed by a high-pitched wailing scream. Upstairs, the tyrannical Simeon Lee lies dead in a pool of blood, his throat slashed. But when Hercule Poirot, who is staying in the village with a friend for Christmas, offers to assist, he finds an atmosphere not of mourning but of mutual suspicion. It seems everyone had their own reason to hate the old man. *Due Mar* (English)

The Adventure of the Christmas Pudding (1960) 240pp Pb \$17.00

Christie's seasonal Poirot and Marple short story collection. *Due Mar* (English)

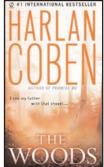
Carol Higgins CLARK

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Laced 352pp Pb \$15.95 Regan Reilly Mystery. Private Investigator Regan Reilly and her new husband, Jack, head of the NYPD Major Case Squad, are off to Ireland for their honeymoon. But their very first night at romantic Hennessy Castle is interrupted by a fire alarm that distracts hotel employees from the theft of a valuable antique lace tablecloth out of the castle's memorabilia room. Due Mar (American)

Harlan COBEN The Woods

€20 years ago at summer camp, Paul Copeland's sister died in the woods, the alleged victim of a serial killer. Her body was never found. Now, Paul is the prosecutor for Essex County, New Jersey, immersed in one of the biggest cases of his



528pp Pb \$20.00

career - a case that will change everything he believes about the past, and the truth. Due Mar (American)

Susan CONANT & Jessica CONANT-PARK

ງ້ເອງSimmer Down 304pp Pb \$15.95 A Gourmet Girl Mystery. After a trendy club owner is bludgeoned with a food processor, Gourmet Girl Chloe Carter finds the list of suspects longer than the line to get in to Simmer, her chef boyfriend's hot new restaurant. Due Mar

Elizabeth CORLEY Innocent Blood

(American)

288pp Tp \$29.95

DCI Andrew Fenwick #4. DCI Andrew Fenwick is up against a tough case. The Choir Boy investigation, a project outside of ordinary police jurisdiction, aims to expose an infamous and increasingly powerful paedophile ring. The pressure is on as Fenwick's refusal to play by the rules means the prospect of new assistant commissioner Harper-Brown taking the case from him looms heavily. Due Mar (English)



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Peter CORRIS

Open File 216pp Pb \$19.95 Cliff Hardy #32. With his PI licence cancelled and his career in Sydney at an end, Hardy is preparing for a trip overseas. Cleaning out his office, he comes across an open file, an unresolved case from the late 1970s. He starts reading and is thrown back to his investigation of the disappearance of Justin Hampshire. At first glance a straightforward missing person matter, the investigation took on twists and turns involving military history, Sydney criminals and corruption at high levels. The Hampshire case took Cliff from the south coast to the Blue Mountains and posed some unresolved questions which have preyed on his mind for 20 years... Due Mar (Australian)

Judith CUTLER

Cold Pursuit 288pp Pb \$19.95

Chief Superintendent Fran Harman #2. When a colleague becomes seriously ill, Chief Superintendent Frances Harman has to delay her impending retirement to oversee an investigation into a recent spate of 'happy slappings' and minor assaults in the Kent area. Initially, she begrudgingly takes a back seat in the case, but it is not long before she is once again perilously close to the action. Due Mar (English)

Jeffrey DEAVER

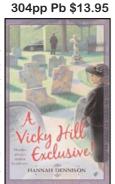
The Sleeping Doll

544pp Pb \$20.00

California Bureau of Investigation Special agent Kathryn Dance is an expert in kinesics, the science of interpreting behaviour. It makes her a brilliant interrogator. But she's up against Daniel Pell, a master of control, who mesmerises, seduces and exploits people for his own murderous ends. A convicted killer who is known as "The Son of Manson" for the chilling parallels between him and the notorious ritual murderer. To track down Pell before he destroys yet more lives, Kathryn must enlist the help of people from the killer's past. Due Mar (American)

Hannah DENNISON A Vicky Hill Exclusive

Introducing Vicky Hill, a suffocatingly reporter single whose attempts at finding the right man and the scoop of a lifetime take a backseat to murder. The debut of a brand new series set in the sleepy English town of Gipping-on-Plym



features sweetly bumbling investigative journalist Vicky Hill, who will do anything to get that front-page story. But the unusual death of local hedge-jumping enthusiast just may lead to Vicky's own deadly downfall. Due Mar (American)

Carole Nelson DOUGLAS Cat in a Hot Red Rage

384pp Pb \$13.95

Midnight Louie Mystery. The hefty feline sleuth Midnight Louie and his human partner, Temple Barr (whom Louie refers to as "a grown-up Nancy Drew on killer spikes"), accompany Temple's outrageous

landlady, Electra Lark, to a Red Hat Sisterhood convention. Trouble ensues when Electra is accused of murder, and it's up to Louie and Temple to get her out of the jam. Due Mar (American)

Dianne EMLEY

Cut to the Quick Tp \$32.95 🗟 Nan Vining#2. When Nan and her precinct colleagues investigate the murder of a glamorous LA couple, they uncover details that lead them perilously close to the path of a psychotic killer. Someone who almost slashed Nan to death and changed her life forever. Due Mar (American)

Anthea FRASER

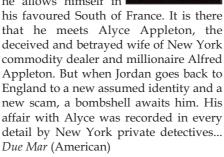
Next Door to Murder

256pp Hb \$49.95 Rona Parish Mystery. Looking for a new subject for her popular series on local family businesses, Rona is pleased when her friend Georgia offers to engineer an introduction to Julian Willow, of the longstanding furniture emporium. Julian and his wife Felicity welcome Rona's interest, and offer her all the help she needs to write her article. Unusually, given Rona's propensity for uncovering dark secrets, there seem to be no skeletons in the Willow family cupboards. But this time it seems there may be a mystery closer to home... Due Mar (American)

Brian FREEMANTLE

The Namedropper 320pp Tp \$27.95 Harvey Jordan is

'The Namedropper', a man who has become multi-millionaire а stealing and adopting other people's ID to strip them of their assets. He only uses his real name during the luxury vacations he allows himself in



THE NAMEDROPP

Barbara FREETHY

🔆 Silent Run

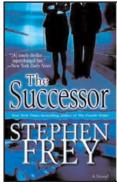
Forced off the road by another car, a woman wakes to find herself in a hospital bed with amnesia and no ID. All she has are her instincts telling her she's in danger. Then a handsome stranger appears and makes a terrible accusation. He was her lover, and her baby's father, until she disappeared seven months ago without a word. Now they must put their trust in each other to find their child and discover who wants her dead ... Due Mar (American)

Stephen FREY The Successor

384pp Pb \$15.95

400pp Pb \$15.95

Make-or-break decisions involving millions of dollars are all in a day's work for Christian Gillette, chairman of Everest Capital, New York's most renowned private equity firm. He's taken the on toughest, most powerful, and



often most dangerous adversaries and prevailed, all the while honing his skill for being cool under fire, literally. But now Gillette will be put to the ultimate test. He's offered the chance to seal a deal unlike any other, one that goes beyond boardrooms, balance sheets, and even Everest itself, one that will leave its mark on history. Due Mar (American)

Ed GAFFNEY

Enemy Combatant 336pp Pb \$13.95

In the trial of the decade, attorney Tom Carpenter was just a spectator. Until, to his own astonishment, Tom finds himself thrust into a case primed to explode. The whole world thinks Tom's new client is guilty of the worst act of terrorism since 9/11, except for one shadowy figure, who feeds Tom astounding inside information. But just as the trial is about to break wide open, Tom receives a chilling threat. Suddenly Tom cannot trust anyone, and his family must run for their lives. Due Mar (American)

Ronald GAUTHIER Crescent City Countdown 384pp Tp \$34.00

New Orleans Mystery #2. Jeannette Plaisance is back on the trail of another elusive mystery, this time pursuing two witnesses to the murder of hotel executive in New Orleans. She teams up with the co-owner of her private investigation company to solve this case, all of this occurring as the city witnesses the maddeningly high re-emergence of violent crime. Due Mar (American)

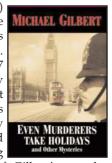
CRIME CHRONICLE



Michael GILBERT 👑 Even Murderers Take Holidavs and

Other Mysteries 224pp Hb \$52.95 Gilbert (1912-2006)

was one of the greatest crime writers to emerge after WWII. 27 Here are previously uncollected short stories with themes ranging from robbery to murder. Included are all the remaining



uncollected stories of Gilbert's popular series characters, Patrick Petrella, Hazelrigg, Calder and Behrens. Due Mar

Mark GIMENEZ

(English)

The Perk448pp Tp \$33.00Beck Hardin returns to his Texas hometown, and his estranged father, after the death of his wife leaves him with two children to raise. The town is still reeling from the murder of 16-year-old Heidi, whose father, Beck's old college friend, asks Beck to help him find Heidi's killer before the statute of limitations runs out. Meanwhile, Beck is pushed into becoming town Judge, and he makes some powerful enemies amongst the rich white landowners when he refuses to condone their treatment of the Mexican workers of the town. As events escalate, the landowners carefully plot their revenge... Due Mar (American)

Andrew GREELEY Irish Lace (1996) 2

171pp Pb \$13.95

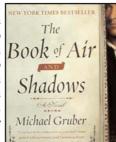
Nuala Anne McGrail Mystery #2. The beautiful and fey, as they say in the Old Country, Nuala uses her psychic abilities to help solve mysteries. But even she will admit that she couldn't do it without Dermot Michael Coyne, her devoted admirer and self-proclaimed "spear carrier". Soon the pair is caught up in a Civil War controversy, and an all-toopresent-day mystery involving sophisticated gang of art thieves, corrupt politicians, and international terrorists. (American)

Michael GRUBER 🔆 The Book of Air and Shadows 0

544pp Pb \$25.00

A clever, pacey thriller set around the search for a lost Shakespearean play. A lost manuscript and its secrets buried for centuries. An encrypted trail that leads to

incalculable wealth. Shakespearean А scholar tortured to death. All clues in a Book of Air dangerous hunt to hidden find а treasure that men are willing to kill, and die for! Due Mar (American)



Marion HALLIGAN Murder on the Apricot Coast

E Star 264pp Pb \$21.95 All is not as it seems in the calm, wellordered streets of the nation's capital. After the turbulence of their courtship, Cassandra and the colonel have settled into wedded bliss - only to have it shattered by a death far too close to home. With characteristic panache, much reading between the lines, and a magnificent wardrobe of women's clothes (his), Cassandra and her colonel set out to find the truth in this eagerly awaited sequel to The Apricot Colonel (Pb \$19.95). Due Mar (Australian)

Sophie HANNAH 💥 The Point of Rescue

0 416pp Tp \$33.00 Sally is watching the news with her husband when she hears a name she ought not recognise, Mark Bretherick. Last year as a work trip fell through, and desperate for a break, Sally took time off and went on a holiday. There, she met Mark and they had an affair. Now his wife and daughter are dead, but the man on TV is not Mark... Due Mar (English)

Charlaine HARRIS

Three Bedrooms, One Corpse 20 240pp Pb \$15.95

Aurora Teagarden Mystery #3. Deciding if she wants to go into real estate becomes a life-or-death choice for Aurora 'Roe' Teagarden. A naked corpse is discovered at house her first showing. And when a second body is found

in another house for sale, it becomes obvious that there is a very cool killer at large in Lawrenceton - one who knows a great deal about real estate - and maybe too much about Roe. Due Mar (American)

Jonathan HAYES

Precious Blood

383pp Tp \$32.95 New York City medical examiner Edward Jenner thought he'd gotten out, turning his back on forensics, and life, after the nightmare of September 11. But when a young student is found murdered, her mutilated body hanging on the wall of an East Village apartment, Jenner is forced out of retirement. Due Mar (American)

Sue HENRY

Maxie and Stretch Mystery. Maxie McNabb and her miniature dachshund, Stretch, are in Hawaii to help Maxie's friend Karen Bailey pack up her house. But after a prowler tries to break in and someone sabotages the plumbing, Maxie suspects that Karen is hiding something ... Due Mar (American)

Joan HESS

E Star **Damsels in Distress** 336pp Pb \$13.95

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Claire Malloy Mystery. A Renaissance Fair is coming to the relatively quiet college town of Farberville Arkansas, which is not the sort of news that usually sets local bookseller Claire Malloy's heart racing. But with Claire's daughter, Caron, being the perpetually petulant teenager that she is, and her fiancé, Police Lieutenant Peter Rosen, away, she finds herself drawn into the strange inner workings of the group putting on the fair. Stranger still, a Ren Fair volunteer has just been found burned in the wreckage of a rented home ... Due Mar (American)

Reginald HILL

A Cure for all Diseases 400pp Tp \$33.00

Dalziel and Pascoe #22. Some say that Andy Dalziel wasn't ready for God, others that God wasn't ready for Dalziel. Convalescing in Sandytown, a quiet seaside resort devoted to healing, Dalziel befriends Charlotte Heywood, a fellow newcomer and psychologist, who is researching the benefits of alternative therapy. With much in common, the two soon find themselves in league when trouble comes to town. Due Mar (English)

Graham HURLEY

The Price of Darkness 368pp Tp \$33.00

DC Winter has gone undercover in an attempt to infiltrate the inner circle of the city's premier drugs lord Bazza McKenzie. Isolated from his colleagues, resenting the way his superiors have presented him the job as a fait accompli and abroad in a world where money is easy and respect is earned in brutally straightforward ways, DC Winter is in his element. Worryingly so... Due Mar (American)

Quintin JARDINE

Death's Door (#17)

480pp Pb \$20.00 When two female artists are murdered in what looks like ritualistic killings, the pressure is on to find a highly professional murderer. What is the link with the art world? It's not long before Deputy Chief Constable Bob Skinner gets called back to the frontline. Due Mar (Scottish)

Craig JOHNSON

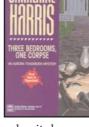
Kindness Goes Unpunished 288pp Tp \$27.95

A Walt Longmire Mystery. Walt Longmire returns for his third adventure but this time he is in the City of Brotherly Love, where no act of kindness goes unpunished Walt has been the sheriff in Wyoming's Absaroka County for 24 years, where his wit and charm have helped him solve many crimes. But that can't prepare him for the savage attack on his daughter, Cady, a Philadelphia lawyer who has unwittingly become embroiled in a political cover-up. Due Mar (American)

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Rique JOHNSON

Pb \$13.95 🔆 A Dangerous Return Detective Jason Jerrard #3. Jerrard has been enjoying the good life. Retired at an early age, he is relaxing and living the life of his dreams, until the death of some one dear to him forces him out of retirement and back to the police force to investigate the murder. Jason's sudden return to the police force threatens his relationship with Monique and when revenge and betraval lead to a life or death situation, Jason has to choose between his heart and mind in order to survive. Due Mar (American)

Mari JUNGSTEDT Unseen

368pp Pb \$21.95

The island of Gotland is in the middle of a busy tourist season and getting ready for Midsummer, the 4th of July of Swedish holidays, when a young woman and her dog are found brutally murdered. The dog has been beheaded and is missing a paw; the woman is naked, covered in gruesome axe wounds, and her panties have been stuffed in her mouth. What looks like a crime committed by the victim's jealous husband keeps the local police force on their toes. Then a second victim is found. A serial killer terrorises tourists and locals alike, and Inspector Anders Knutas has to face additional pressure from the media and local politicians who are worried about bad PR for the island. Due Mar (Swedish)

Daniel KALLA

Blood Lies 336pp Pb \$15.95 €= 6 Kalla strikes again with another perfect page-turner." - Lee Child. Due Mar (American)

Andrea KANE 🎉 Dark Room

416pp Pb \$15.95

17 years ago, Morgan Winter was traumatised by the discovery of her parents' brutally murdered bodies in a Brooklyn basement on Christmas Eve. Now shocking new evidence overturns the killer's conviction and Morgan is confronted with the horrifying realisation that the real killer is still out there... Due Mar (American)

Marshall KARP

The Rabbit Factory Pb \$22.95 Welcome to Lamaar Studios. Once a small animation house, it has grown into an entertainment conglomerate encompassing movies, television, music, video games, and a sprawling theme park called Familyland. When an actor portraying Familyland's beloved mascot, Rambunctious Rabbit, is brutally murdered on park grounds, Lamaar executives fear that their idyllic public image will be shattered. Feeling pressure from the studio, LAPD Detectives Mike Lomax and Terry Biggs must conduct their investigation while avoiding the public eye. Due Mar (American)

Simon KERNICK 👑 Severed

496pp Pb \$21.95

You wake up in a strange room on a bed covered in blood. You have no idea how you got there. Beside you is a dead girl: Your girlfriend. The phone rings, and a voice tells you to press play on the room's DVD machine. The film shows you killing your girlfriend. Then you're told to go to an address in East London where you're to deliver a briefcase and await further instructions. There's no way out... Due Mar (English)

Christine KLING

🔆 Wreckers' Key: A Novel of

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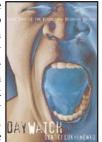
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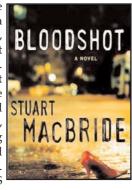
Others. The forces of darkness keep an eye during the day, the Day Watch, while the agents of Light monitor the nighttime. Very senior Others called the Inquisitors are the impartial judges insisting on the essential compact. When a very potent artefact is stolen from them, the consequences are dire and drastic for all sides. (Russian)

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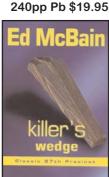
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Ed McBAIN

Killer's Wedge (1959) 10

87th Precinct. Virginia Dodge is determined to put a bullet through Steve Carella's brain, and she doesn't care if she has to kill all the boys in the 87th in Precinct the process. Armed with a gun and a bottle of nitro-glycerine she



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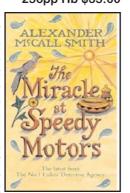
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87th Precinct. "I will kill the lady tonight at 8. What can you do about it?" That's what the letter read. 12 hours to find a crank or stop a killer. And there will be no second chances for 'The Lady' if the boys of the 87th don't guess right. Due Mar (American)

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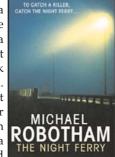
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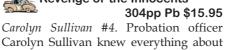
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Sharon SHORT

Tie Dyed and Dead

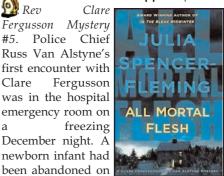
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14 years after the mutilated body of her teenaged sister was found in an abandoned Alabama farmhouse, DeLaune Sarah is plunged into а nightmare world of self-doubt after her dying father accuses her of murdering her

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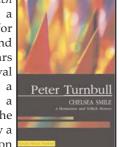
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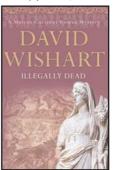
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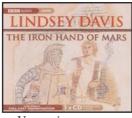
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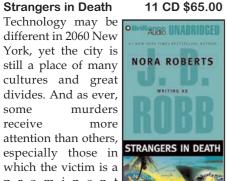
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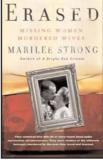
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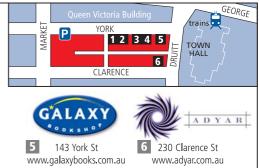
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