

CRIME CHRONICLE

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CRIME WRITER'S ASSOCIATION (UK) DAGGERS SHORTLIST 2008

DUNCAN LAWRIE DAGGER 2008

The Tin Roof Blowdown

by James Lee Burke (Pb \$23.00)

Coroner's Lunch by Colin Cotteril (Pb \$22.95)

Blood from Stone by Frances Fyfield (Tp \$33.00)

Night Work by Steve Hamilton (Tp \$33.00)

What the Dead Know by Laura Lippman (Pb \$23.00)

A Vengeful Longing by R N Morris (Tp \$32.95)

Judges' comment: Entries at the top end were very strong and we struggled to narrow down to a shortlist.

DUNCAN LAWRIE INTERNATIONAL DAGGER 2008

The Patience of the Spider

by Andrea Camilleri (Tp \$32.95) (Italy)

The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo

by Stieg Larsson (Tp \$32.95) (Sweden)

Lorraine Connection

by Dominique Manotti (Pb \$29.95) (France)

A Deal with the Devil

by Martin Suter (Pb \$29.95) (Germany)

This Night's Foul Work

by Fred Vargas (Tp \$32.95) (France)

CWA IAN FLEMING STEEL DAGGER 2008

Ritual by Mo Hayder (Tp \$32.95)

See You by Gregg Hurwitz (Tp \$32.95)

Shatter

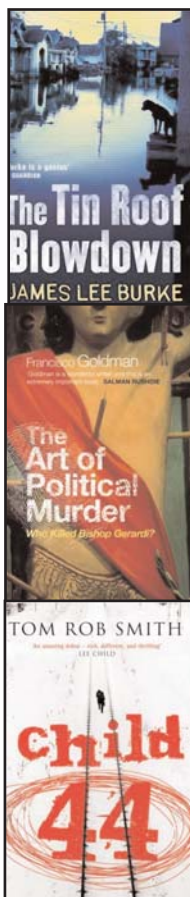
by Michael Robotham (Tp \$33.00) (Australian)

Child 44 by Tom Rob Smith (Tp \$32.95)

The Echelon by Vendetta David Stone (Tp \$32.95)

Judges' comment: Amongst an avalanche of formulaic and derivative submissions, it was refreshing to find a core of distinctive and genuinely thrilling novels.

Winners will be announced on 10 July and will appear in our August Crime Chronicle. More details can be found on the CWA website www.thecwa.co.uk.



CWA GOLD DAGGER FOR NON-FICTION

Nationality: Wog: The Hounding of David Oluwale

by Kester Aspden (Hb \$45.00 T/O)

The Art of Political Murder: Who Killed Bishop Gerardi?

by Francisco Goldman (Hb \$45.00)

Violation by David Rose (Pb \$25.00 T/O)

The Lost Boy by Duncan Staff (Pb \$21.95)

The Suspicions of Mr Whicher or the Murder at Road Hill House by Kate Summerscale (Tp \$29.95)

Into the Darkness

by Peter Zimonjic (Pb \$24.95) (due Sept)

(T/O = To Order only)

Judges' comment: The shortlist is extremely strong – all six books are very well written indeed and each has great merit.

CWA JOHN CREASEY (NEW BLOOD) DAGGER 2008

The Night of the Mi'raj by Zoe Ferraris (Tp \$33.00)

Die with Me by Elena Forbes (Tp \$29.95)

Absolution

by Caro Ramsay (Tp \$29.95, Pb \$19.95) (due Aug)

The Bethlehem Murders by Matt Rees (Pb \$19.95)

Child 44 by Tom Rob Smith (Tp \$32.95)

This award is in memory of CWA founder John Creasy. 2008 marks the centenary of his birth on 17 September 1908.

CWA DAGGER IN THE LIBRARY 2008

This annual award is given to "the author of crime fiction whose work is currently giving the greatest enjoyment to (UK) library users". Shortlisted authors are:

Elizabeth Corley	Andrew Martin	Denise Mina
Craig Russell	C J Sansom	Chris Simms

- Peter

ABBEY'S TURNS 40: A Continuing Retrospective. Part 7



One of the things that has interested me over the past 40 years is the growth in Historical Crime. It probably all started with Ellis Peters and her Brother Cadfael series (most of which are still available), starting in 1977 with **A Morbid Taste for Bones**. All of these are set in medieval England during the reign of King Stephen. Since then, we have had mysteries set in Ancient Greece - Margaret Doody; Ancient Egypt - Paul Doherty and Ancient Rome - Lindsey Davis, Paul Doherty, John Maddox Roberts, Rosemary Rowe, Steven Saylor, Marilyn Todd and David Wishart. Medieval mystery authors include Maureen Ash (13thC), Alys Clare (12thC), Margaret Frazer (15thC), Susanna Gregory (14thC), Michael Jecks (14thC), Bernard Knight (12thC), I J Parker (11thC Japan), Candace Robb (14thC), Kate Sedley (15thC), Peter Tremayne (7thC Ireland) and Robert van Gulik (7thC China). Modern historical authors include Laurie King, Carole Nelson Douglas, Barrie Roberts (all 19thC Holmesiana), Boris Akunin (19thC Russia),

Bruce Alexander (18thC), Stephanie Barron (19thC), Carrie Bebris (19thC), Emily Brightwell (19thC), David Dickinson (Edwardian), Jason Goodwin (19thC Turkey), Karen Harper (16thC), Claude Izner (19thC France), Deryn Lake (18thC), Clyde Linsley (19thC USA), Edward Marston (17thC), R N Morris (19thC Russia), Robin Paige (19thC), Anne Perry (19thC), Elizabeth Peters (19thC Egypt) and Victoria Thompson (19thC USA) to mention but a few. (Note: if no country mentioned, it is the UK). So whatever your favourite historical period, we're bound to be able to find a mystery for you! - Peter





MODERN CRIME

Mark ABERNETHY

 Golden Serpent

552pp Pb \$19.95

Alan McQueen was the Aussie spook who shot and killed the terrorist Abu Sabaya. Years later, McQueen discovers that Sabaya is not dead. Instead he has teamed up with a rogue CIA veteran and is armed with a cache of stolen VX nerve agent that he's threatening to deploy. Battling to stay one step ahead of Sabaya's hit-men, CIA double-agents and corruption within Australian intelligence, Mac must find the stolen VX before it's too late. *Due Jul* (New Zealand)



KEY

ACADEMIC



BANKING



CANINE DETECTIVES



CLERICAL



COSY/MALICE DOMESTIC



CULINARY/FOOD



FBI



FELINE DETECTIVES



FORENSIC



HORSE RACING MYSTERY



JOURNALISTS



MEDICAL



MILITARY



NATIVE AMERICAN



POLICE PROCEDURAL



POLITICAL/LEGAL



PSYCHOLOGICAL



PRIVATE EYE



ROMANTIC SUSPENSE



SPORT



SPY



SUSPENSE/THRILLER



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TP = TRADE PAPERBACK
(SLIGHTLY LARGER)

HB = HARDBACK

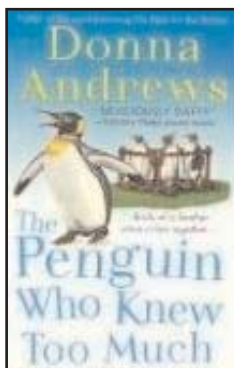
AUTHOR'S NATIONALITY AT END OF BLURB

Donna ANDREWS



The Penguin Who Knew Too Much 352pp Pb \$13.95

Meg Langslow Mystery #8. Meg Langslow never thought that moving into a new home with her fiancée would be easy, but a basement full of arctic penguins and a dead body! The zookeeper himself has gone missing and only the animals know the truth about his whereabouts. Now it's up to Meg to find out more about her DOA house guest before the ice melts on this very cold case. *Due Jul* (American)



Sarah ANDREWS

In Cold Pursuit: A Mystery from the Last Continent 384pp Pb \$13.95

Em Hansen #11. Valena Walker is headed to Antarctica to study glaciology with Dr Emmett Vanderzee. But when she arrives she discovers that her mentor has been charged with murder. What really happened to the reporter who contradicted Emmett's research? Now Valena must brave the elements and chart a course to clear his name. *Due Jul* (American)

David BALDACCI

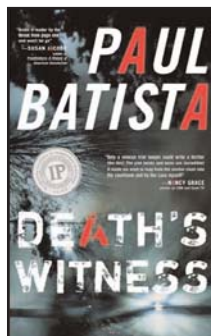
Stone Cold 400pp Pb \$20.00

Camel Club #3. Casino king and thug Jerry Bagger is hunting Annabelle Conroy, who conned him out of millions. Stone and his colleagues must protect her. Yet their skills may not be enough when a deadly new opponent rips off the veneer of Stone's own mysterious past. As bodies and institutions topple, the story rockets toward a shattering finale that will leave the survivors of this explosive tale changed forever. *Due Jul* (American)

Paul BATISTA

Death's Witness 384pp Pb \$16.95

When Tom is found murdered, his widow Julie begins to uncover the secret world that her husband kept from her. She learns that he was in league with a drug lord and involved in money laundering. As Julie comes to terms with Tom's double life, she must also survive when her husband's murderers are searching for their lost millions, and the outcome of a far-reaching political trial hangs in the balance. *Due Jul* (American)



Mark BILLINGHAM

Death Message 496pp Pb \$20.00

Tom Thorne #7. The first message sent to Thorne's phone was just a blurred image of a dead man's face. But who was he, who sent the photograph and why? Then another picture arrives and Thorne gets his first clue, a link to a killer he'd put away years before and who is still in prison. This man has manipulated another inmate to plot revenge on everyone he blames for his incarceration, and for the murder of his family while he was inside. Newly released, this convict has no fear and no feelings. Thorne knows that there is no killer more dangerous than one who has nothing left to lose. *Due Jul* (English)

Xavier-Marie BONNOT

First Fingerprint 397pp Tp \$29.95

Michel de Palma #1. In an underwater cavern off the coast of Marseilles are the first human engravings known to man. De Palma heads to the University to investigate, but the clique of pre-history professors he encounters is as secretive as the cave drawing itself. Slowly and alone, de Palma unravels a mystery that dates back to the Ice Age, and comes closer to discovering the killer's identity. *Due Jul* (French)

Anthony BOURDAIN

Bone in the Throat (1995) 332pp Pb \$19.95

All is not well at the Dreadnought Grill. The chef has a smack habit and the FBI has set up the owner. As depraved as it is hilarious, Anthony Bourdain's first novel is street smart and spiced with drugged-up savvy, foul-mouthed feds and salty mob speak. *Due Jul* (American)

Rhys BOWEN

Her Royal Spyness 336pp Pb \$15.95

Lady Victoria Georgiana Charlotte Eugenie #2. Lady Victoria Georgiana Charlotte Eugenie, 34th in line for the throne, is flat broke. She's bolted Scotland, her brother and her betrothed for London. The place where she'll experience freedom, learn life lessons aplenty, do a bit of spying for HRH, and find a dead Frenchman in her tub. Now her new job is to clear her of family name. *Due Jul* (English)

Ellen BYERRUM

Armed and Glamorous 336pp Pb \$13.95

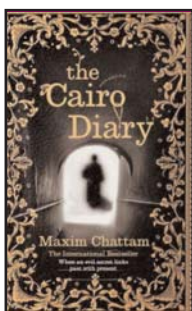
Crime of Fashion #6. A wealthy DC socialite is discovered dead outside the classroom of unappreciated fashion reporter Lacey Smithsonian. Was the victim on her way to share a dangerous secret? And what does it have to do with a missing Louis Vuitton vintage makeup case? Lacey must mix style with substance to unravel these tangled threads before she, or one of her friends, gets caught in the sights of a cold-blooded killer. *Due Jul* (American)

**Leslie CAINE** **Poisoned by Gilt****336pp Pb \$13.95**

Domestic Bliss Mystery #6. To designers Steve Sullivan and Erin Gilbert a competition to design and build the most earth-friendly home seemed like a good idea. But the judge is dead - poisoned by some supposedly non-toxic gold paint. The death is also poisoning their romantic relationship. When another figure in the contest dies and Sullivan becomes distracted by an attractive divorcee, Erin goes on a mission to find the killer and to expose the true Steve Sullivan - and the designs he's hiding in his heart. *Due Jul* (American)

Maxim CHATTAM **The Cairo Diary** **340pp Pb \$23.00**

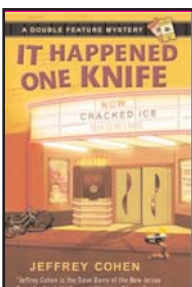
Cairo, 1928: young children have been found mutilated in the tombs outside the city and British inspector Jeremy Matheson follows the trail of the monster, which takes him into the depths of underground Cairo and his own tortured past. *Mont-Saint-Michel, 2005:* spirited away from Paris for her own protection, Marion has taken refuge in a remote monastery. When she finds a diary dating from 1928 penned by Jeremy Matheson, she is inexorably pulled into the past as she is being watched, and taunting notes and riddles urge her to give back what is not hers. *Due Jul* (French)

**Paul CHRISTOPHER** **Aztec Heresy** **352pp Pb \$15.95**

Finn Ryan Mystery #4. In search of a Spanish galleon in the Caribbean, archaeologist Finn Ryan and her partner Lord Billy Pilgrim find evidence of a lost Aztec Codex said to reveal the location of the lost City of Gold. Also on the trail is the head of a religious cadre and a sociopathic billionaire. But Finn and Billy come upon a more explosive secret that will take them from the Yucatan jungles to the Sonoran Desert, where the stakes are life and death. *Due Jul* (Canadian)

Jeffrey COHEN **It Happened One Knife****304pp Pb \$15.95**

Double Feature Mystery #2. Elliot Freed is beyond happy when legendary comics Lillis & Townes appear at his refurbished all-comedy theatre. But when insinuations arise that the duo was involved in a decades-old Hollywood murder, Elliot sets out to prove the rumors wrong. *Due Jul* (American)

**Martina COLE** **Faces****672pp Pb \$22.00**

Before Danny Cadogan's 14th birthday, his father leaves. Determined to protect his mother, something changes in Danny and he turns into a young man set on making his way in a violent world. He becomes the most feared Face in the Smoke. Danny rules his wife Mary with an iron will. If Mary breaks her silence, it could shake Danny's criminal empire to the very core. And for a Face at the top of his game, the only way is down. *Due Jul* (English)

Chris COLLETT **Blood Money** **272pp Pb \$20.00**

DI Tom Mariner becomes the lead on the case when a six-week-old is abducted from the local crèche. What appears to be a random kidnap begins to look like a well-planned operation. Mariner discovers that the baby's father works for a scientific research company that has long been the target of animal rights activists. Two days later, when the incident comes to an astonishing conclusion, a crude note seems to confirm that animal rights protesters were behind the scare. But when one of the crèche workers is killed in a hit and run, the case is blown wide open. *Due Jul* (English)

Thomas H COOK **Master of the Delta****336pp Tp \$29.95**

When Eddie was five years old, his father killed a college girl and buried the pieces in woods. Where Eddie's family name has brought only infamy, Jack's has bestowed respect. To exorcise burden, Jack encourages Eddie to confront past and discover truth about his father. *Due Jul* (American)

Patricia CORNWELL **Book of the Dead****400pp Pb \$20.00**

Kay Scarpetta #15. The 'book of the dead' is the morgue log. Scarpetta moves to South Carolina and opens a private forensic pathology practice. It seems like an ideal situation, until the murders begin. A woman is ritualistically murdered. The body of an abused boy is found dumped. A 16 year-old tennis star is found nude and mutilated in Rome. Before she is through, that book of the dead will contain many names, possibly her own. *Due Jul* (American)

Catherine COULTER **Double Take** **368pp Pb \$15.95**

FBI Thriller #11. The police are convinced that Julia Ransom murdered her husband but have no evidence. She is later attacked by a man and Special Agent Cheney Stone saves her and realises the attempt on Julia's life has to connect to the murder of her husband, and reopens the investigation. *Due Jul* (American)

Robert CRAIS **Chasing Darkness****320pp Tp \$33.00**

Elvis Cole #11. The corpse of a recluse who apparently committed suicide is found. He holds an album of photographs of seven young women who have been murdered, each photo taken just after their deaths. Until now the murders had never been connected and the news for Elvis Cole is bad. Only one suspect had been charged. LAPD had a confession but with evidence supplied by Elvis Cole, he walked free. That suspect was the suicide. Did Cole's actions free a killer to commit more murders? *Due Jul* (American)

Cameron CRUISE **Dark Matter** **384pp Pb \$13.95**

Street kids are disappearing in a California town. FBI agent Carin Barnes discovers that she has personal connection to the case - one that involves a madman who is using psychic twins to abduct homeless adolescents for mind-altering experiments. *Due Jul* (American)

Clive CUSSLER **Plague Ship** **512pp Tp \$32.95**

Oregon Files #5. Cabrillo and his crew come across a cruise ship adrift in the sea. Bodies litter its deck and, as Cabrillo tries to determine what happened, the ship explodes. Cabrillo is plunged into a mystery as intricate as any he has known against a cult with lethal plans for the human race - plans he may already be too late to stop. *Due Jul* (American)

Mary DAHEIM **Scots on the Rocks****384pp Pb \$13.95**

Bed and Breakfast Mystery #23. When Judith and her cousin Renie vacation in a haunted Scottish castle they meet Harry Gibbs, who is estranged from his wife and is found dead shortly after they arrive. His widow is a suspect but there are plenty to go around including a sleazy CEO, a wily attorney, and Chuckie, the dwarfish epileptic to name a few. There are enough suspects to overwhelm any police force, but no challenge is too daunting for the cousins. *Due Jul* (American)

K O DAHL **The Man in the Window****496pp Pb \$19.95**

Frank Frolich #2. Reidar Folke Jespersen is found dead, his naked body in his shop, red string round his neck, three crosses and "195" written on his chest. Gunnarstranda and Frolich are called to the scene. What will be uncovered is a country where victims, perpetrators and even police officers are haunted by the past, still trying to cope with the dark memories of the Nazi occupation. *Due Jul* (Norwegian)





Jeffrey DEAVER

The Broken Window Tp \$33.00

Lincoln Rhyme #8. Rhyme's cousin has been arrested for murder but Rhyme agrees to check things out. The true killer knows every detail about the lives of his victims and those he sets up to take the fall. He commits the crime, plants incontrovertible evidence and escapes. Rhyme and the team have to find out who at the data mining company is getting access to this information. Meanwhile the villain realises he's being pursued and turns his knowledge of data into a weapon. *Due Jul* (American)

Arnaud DELALANDE

The Dante Trap 400pp Pb \$23.00

Venice, 1756. An actor has been murdered. A secret investigation is led by Pietro Viravolta. Murder follows murder, and as Viravolta begins to draw the connections between these deaths, he finds himself embroiled in a terrible game of cat and mouse. He is drawn further into the inferno, into the heart of a secret sect and a plot to bring about the downfall of the city. *Due Jul* (French)

Michael DIBDIN

Aurelio Zen Omnibus #1: Ratking/ Vendetta/ Cabal 768pp Tp \$35.00

This brilliantly evocative Italian crime series features the irascible Aurelio Zen. *Due Jul* (English)

Tim DOWNS

First the Dead 363pp Hb \$29.95

A Bug Man #3. Forensic entomologist Nick Polchek realises that some of the bodies in the waters flooding New Orleans were dead prior to Hurricane Katrina. Someone thought the hurricane would allow them to get away with murder. Nick must fight a desperate race against time and decomposing evidence to raise the truth. *Due Jul* (American)

Kaitlyn DUNNETT

Kilt Dead 256pp Pb \$13.95

Liss MacCrimmon Mystery #1. Professional Scottish dancer Liss MacCrimmon returns to her hometown in Maine, only to become the prime suspect in a murder. Now Liss must do some fancy footwork to prove she's innocent, while trying to stay alive. *Due Jul* (American)

Aaron ELKINS

Little Tiny Teeth 272pp Pb \$15.95

Professor Gideon Oliver Mystery #12. Sailing the Amazon, Skeleton Detective Gideon Oliver is on vacation. But then headhunters narrowly miss killing the group leader and a deranged passenger kills a botanist and flees. When a fresh skeleton turns up in the river, Gideon is sure that, in this jungle full of predators, humans may be the deadliest of all. *Due Jul* (American)

Kjell ERIKSSON

The Cruel Stars of Night 320pp Pb \$23.00

Ann Lindell #2. Laura Hindersten goes to the police to report that her father, a local professor, is missing. Inspector Ann Lindell can find no motive for the man's disappearance. Then two corpses turn up. One of the professor's colleagues believes there is a link between the corpses and the disappearance of Professor Hindersten. But as the pressure on Lindell increases, she is shocked to discover that the killer has many more diabolical schemes in store. *Due Jul* (Swedish)

Zoë FERRARIS

Night of the Mi'raj 368pp Tp \$33.00

Palestinian-born desert guide Nayir is trusted to find the 16-year-old daughter of a wealthy Saudi dynasty. Her body is found but Nayir's feels compelled to uncover the truth about her death. His search takes him far from his natural terrain to the city of Jeddah and forces him to work closely with Katya Hijazi, a forensic scientist and he finds himself struggling with emotions and loyalties he has never before questioned. *Due Jul* (American)

Steve FISHER

No House Limit: A Novel of Las Vegas 224pp Pb \$13.95

Hard Case Crime. Casino owner Joe Martin faces down a Syndicate-backed gambler in a marathon craps game, with millions of dollars and possibly even his life at stake. First publication for over 45 years. *Due Jul* (American)

Karin FOSSUM

Black Seconds 352pp Pb \$24.95

Inspector Sejer #5. Nine-year-old Ida sets off on her bike to buy sweets. 35 minutes after Ida should have come home, her mother Helga, starts to worry and she contacts the police. Volunteers comb the neighbourhood but there are no traces of Ida or her bike. As the media frenzy begins, Inspector Sejer is calm and reassuring. But he finds the case puzzling. Usually missing children are found within 48 hours. Ida Joner seems to have vanished without a trace. *Due Jul* (Norwegian)

Kathryn FOX

Skin and Bone 384pp Pb \$20.00

Detectives Kate Farrer and Oliver Parke investigate the murder of young woman whose autopsy reveals she had recently given birth, but there is no sign of the baby. Suspicion falls on Mark Dobbie for the disappearance of a teenage girl, and when drugs are found in his apartment, they wonder if they have uncovered a serial date rapist-turned-murderer. Then a young paraplegic is burnt to death in his home. Shocking links to all three crimes emerge and Kate Farrer's past demons come back to haunt her. But she must fight them - her partner's life depends on it. (Australian)

Tara FRENCH

The Likeness Tp \$33.00

Ron Ryan and Cassie Maddox #2. Detective Cassie Maddox is called to a murder scene and she finds the victims ID says she is Lexie Madison, the identity Cassie used years ago undercover. Cassie is sent undercover in the dead girls place to pick up information the police would never hear and tempt the killer to finish the job. So Cassie moves into Whitethorn House, poses as a post-grad student, and prepares to enter Lexies world. *Due Jul* (Irish)

Michelle GAGNON

Boneyard 384pp Pb \$13.95

Kelly Jones Mystery #2. FBI special agent Kelly Jones has never worked a case as disturbing as this. A mass grave unearthed on the Appalachian Trail puts Kelly at the head of an investigation that crosses the line, from Massachusetts to Vermont, from a serial killer to a copycat nemesis. *Due Jul* (American)

Ken GELDER & Rachael WEAVER (Eds) **The Anthology of Colonial Australian**

Crime Fiction 280pp Tp \$32.95

Ex-convicts, bushrangers, prospectors, forgers and impostors, thieves and murderers flow through the stories that make up this collection, challenging colonial law and order. This anthology collects the best examples of colonial Australian crime fiction and is a unique collection of disturbing mysteries and gruesome tales that tap into the fears and anxieties of Australian life. *Due Jul* (Australian)

Leah GIARRATANO

Voodoo Doll Tp \$32.95

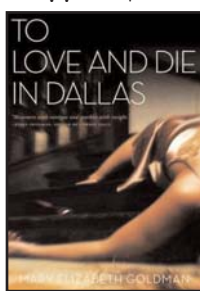
Sergeant Jill Jackson is transferred to a task force targeting gang related home invasions in Sydney. The gang is responsible for at least five home invasions over the last two months. On Jill's first day violence has escalated to murder and Jill and the team are now hunting a psychopath. One of the victims knows who the psychopath is - a figure from his past who has come back to haunt him. *Due Jul* (Australian)

**Leah GIARRATANO****Vodka Doesn't Freeze****Pb \$21.95**

A man is murdered, but it's clear to Sergeant Jill Jackson this was no ordinary victim: someone has stopped a dangerous paedophile. Jill is ambivalent about pursuing the killer, but when more men known to police as child sex offenders die she is forced to face the fact that a serial killer is on the loose. *Due Jul* (Australian)

Mary Elizabeth GOLDMAN**To Love and Die in Dallas****288pp Pb \$13.95**

A diary recalls the teenage years of four best friends. But time changes everything. It is now the 21st century and those carefree teenagers are the power players in Dallas. The murder of one of the friends, Lindsay 'Rose' Mitchell, turns Dallas society upside down. Her funeral brings the three remaining friends together again, and they vow to find out what really happened. *Due Jul* (American)

**Juan Jurado GOMEZ****God's Spy****384pp Pb \$20.00**

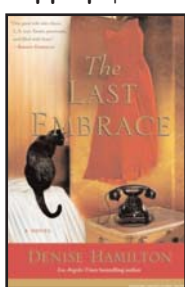
Following the death of Pope John Paul II Rome is under siege to foreign press and the last thing it needs is a serial killer on the loose. When a cardinal is found murdered serial profiler Paola Dicanti is called in. This is not the first victim. Paola begins to build her profile and is helped by Anthony Fowler, a priest from the States. But Fowler is no ordinary priest, he clearly has links to the CIA, and knows more about the serial killer than Paola could ever have guessed. *Due Jul* (Spanish)

Kathryn Miller HAINES**The Winter of Her Discontent****336pp Tp \$27.95**

Rosie Winter Mystery #2. Rosie is keeping company with her mob pal, Al, who's despite his illicit line of work, is no killer. When he's fingered for his girlfriend's murder, Rosie and cast mate Jayne set out to clear his name, and plunge into a backstage drama. But the plot could soon be taking a lethal turn, bringing the curtain down on Rosie and Jayne. *Due Jul* (American)

Denise HAMILTON**The Last Embrace****400pp Tp \$27.95**

This critically acclaimed author delivers a complex and atmospheric noir thriller inspired by the true unsolved case involving the disappearance of actress Jean Spangler in 1949. *Due Jul* (American)

**Robert HARRIS****The Ghost****400pp Pb \$21.95**

A professional ghostwriter accustomed to working with fading rock stars and minor celebrities, our narrator jumps at the chance to ghost the memoirs of Britain's former prime minister. But it doesn't take him long to realise his mistake. His predecessor died in suspicious circumstances, and the ex-prime minister turns out to be a man with secrets that are returning to haunt him. *Due Jul* (English)

John Twelve HAWKS**The Dark River****512pp Pb \$21.95**

Fourth Realm #2. Fear stalks our lives. Everywhere we go, someone somewhere is always watching. We are being controlled and we sacrifice freedoms. We are all victims. There are some who will fight to protect those freedoms. They are off the grid. Gabriel Corrigan is one such man. The system doesn't like it. It says that you cannot opt out, you must participate. And it will do whatever it takes to return. *Due Jul* (American)

Richard HELLER**The 13th Apostle****432pp Pb \$9.00**

36AD: Micah, Jesus' friend and the 13th Apostle inscribes a message upon which mankind's fate would one day be determined. Present day: Internet forensic specialist, Gil Pearson is recruited to decipher an ancient diary and reveal Micah's hidden message, which may lead to the most mysterious of the Dead Sea Scrolls. Gil becomes embroiled in an international mystery spanning 2000 years, and for which others would gladly give their lives, or take his. *Due Jul* (American)

Reginald HILL**The Roar of the Butterflies****288pp Pb \$15.95**

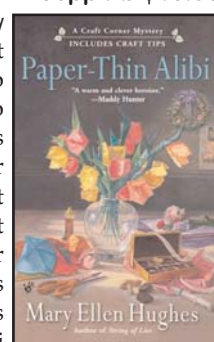
Joe Sixsmith #5. PI Joe Sixsmith is suddenly very popular. He's being implored to come to the rescue of Christian Porphyry, whose family owns the most exclusive country club in Luton. Political boss 'King Rat' Ratcliffe is offering him surveillance work in Spain. Sixsmith is more intrigued by the first case, especially when a witness vanishes. Joe is out of his depth and is in grave peril of discovering just how dangerous golf can be. (English)

Linda HOWARD**Up Close and Dangerous****336pp Pb \$20.00**

Bailey Wingate is left in control of the fortune of her scheming adult stepchildren. Later, while flying to Denver in a small plane the engine sputters and fails but Cam, her sexy Texan pilot manages to crash-land the aircraft. Stranded in the wilderness, and struggling to douse her feelings for Cam, Bailey begins to wonder whether this was a mere accident. *Due Jul* (American)

Mary Ellen HUGHES**Paper Thin Alibi****256pp Pb \$13.95**

Craft Corner Mystery #3. Sales at the Craft Corner start to crumple when Jo McAllister becomes a suspect in her rivals' murder. But during paper craft classes, Jo and her friends discuss motives and means rather than origami and collage. Together they track the twisted trail of a killer, before another life is ripped to shreds. *Due Jul* (American)

**Gregg HURWITZ****The Crime Writer****320pp Tp \$27.95**

Drew Danner, a crime novelist, awakens with no memory of being found convulsing over his ex's body, holding a knife, her blood beneath his nails. Not knowing if he's guilty or innocent the writer must now become the protagonist. Soon Drew closes in on clues he may or may not have left for himself, and as another young woman is murdered he has to ask difficult questions not of others but of himself. *Due Jul* (American)

Peter JAMES**Dead Mans Footsteps****512pp Tp \$33.00**

Roy Grace #4. Abby stepped in the lift and realised she had just made the worst mistake of her life. Amid the mayhem of the morning of 911, Ronnie Wilson sees the chance to disappear and reinvent himself in another country. Five years later the discovery of the remains of a woman's body in a drain in Brighton, leads Detective Superintendent Roy Grace on an enquiry spanning the globe, and into a desperate race to save the life of a woman being hunted down like an animal in the streets of Brighton. *Due Jul* (English)

J A JANCE**Justice Denied****384pp Pb \$19.95***J P Beaumont Mystery*

#18. J P Beaumont is to find out what really happened in the death of an ex-con. The ex-con really had turned over a new leaf. Meanwhile, Beau's lover and fellow cop, Mel, is looking into cold cases, but suddenly, her investigation has tentacles reaching to Beau's, and the two begin to uncover a conspiracy that could involve people within the halls of law enforcement. *Due Jul* (American)



**Asa LARSSON****The Black Path****400pp Tp \$23.95**

Rebecka Martinsson #3. The tortured body of a woman was found on a frozen lake. Inspector Anna-Maria Mella knows she needs help because the dead woman was a key player in a mining company whose tentacles reach across the globe. Soon attorney Rebecka Martinsson is prying into the affairs of the dead woman's boss, whose relationship with his star employee was both complex and ominous. But what Rebecka and Anna-Maria are about to uncover is a tale as shocking as it is sad. *Due Jul* (Swedish)

Jeff LINDSAY**Dexter in the Dark****384pp Pb \$20.00**

Dexter #3. When a student is found seemingly sacrificed to an ancient god Dexter Morgan is brought in as forensic analyst. He soon realises he could be dealing with someone more sinister than he is. When something creeps out your friendly neighbourhood serial killer, you know it's serious. Gradually, Dexter realises his stepchildren might share his extracurricular interest in death... *Due Jul* (American)

Joe LOOMIS**High Season 304pp Pb \$13.95**

Frank Coffin Mystery #1. For Frank Coffin, now a detective in Cape Cod, the worst crimes were usually break-ins and domestic disputes. That is, until an evangelist turns up dead on the beach wearing a wig, a muumuu, and one pump. Frank and his partner begin checking out the drag bars the reverend might have frequented. When the body count starts to rise, it becomes clear that a killer with an agenda is at large in Provincetown. *Due Jul* (American)

Peter LOVESEY**The Headhunters****352pp Hb \$50.00**

Hen Mallin #2. Jo and Gemma meet for coffee every Saturday. One day Jo finds a body on the beach, an unidentified woman, who has drowned. It takes DCI Hen Mallin and her team some time to discover who the woman is, and as they are investigating, Jo and Gemma keep coming across dead bodies. *Due Jul* (English)

Michael MACCONNELL**Maelstrom****384pp Pb \$20.00**

Sarah Reilly #1. Sarah Reilly is making a name for herself as a rookie FBI agent. Given the job of investigating a double murder, she uncovers some strange anomalies in the modus operandi of the killer and a maelstrom of evil is unleashed as a killer finds himself hunted by more than one adversary. *Due Jul* (Australian)

Michael MACCONNELL**Splinter****400pp Tp \$33.00**

Sarah Reilly #2. During her investigation of America's worst serial killer Sarah Reilly's father is kidnapped and the man she loved is murdered. Refusing offers of extended leave she launches herself back into an investigation of the murder of a child of wealthy parents under suspicious circumstances. *Due Jul* (Australian)

**Hector MACDONALD****The Storm Prophet****384pp Pb \$19.95**

Kirsten McKenzie must win the Sydney to Hobart yacht race. Her bank needs the PR boost of a victory. Everyone thinks she'll do it except a boy called Moses who claims to be able to see the future. He sees a storm, mountains of water and disaster. Petra Woods is Director of the Sydney Coastguard. She doesn't want to believe Moses' warning, but as his other predictions start coming true, she might not have a choice. *Due Jul* (Kenyan)

Alistair MACLEAN**South by Java Head (1958)****448pp Pb \$20.00**

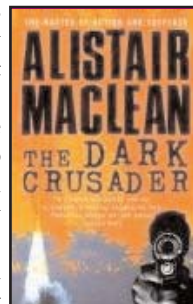
February, 1942: Singapore lies burning, defenceless before the Japanese. A last boat slips into the South China Sea. On board are a desperate group of people, each with a secret they will kill to keep safe. One thing is certain: the rotting tramp steamer is a floating death trap, carrying a cargo of human TNT. Thus begins an ordeal few are to survive. *Due Jul* (Scottish)

**The Golden Rendezvous (1962)****288pp Pb \$20.00**

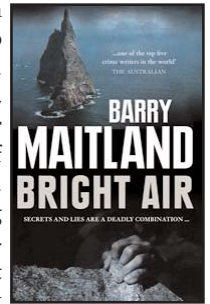
For Chief Officer Johnny Carter aboard the SS Campari the voyage has already begun badly. A member of the crew is missing and the stern-to-stern search only serves to increase tension. Is the Campari a victim of modern day piracy? And what of the strange cargo hidden below the decks? *Due Jul* (Scottish)

The Dark Crusader**(1962)****288pp Pb \$20.00**

Eight specialists in modern technology required. Eight scientists to fill them. Applicants to be married, with no children and prepared to travel. Highly persuasive salaries. One criminal mastermind. Eight scientists and their wives disappear. One secret agent to stop him... *Due Jul* (Scottish)

**Barry MAITLAND****Bright Air****304pp Tp \$32.95**

On a cliff-face in New Zealand, two men fall to their deaths. Four years before, Luce, another member of the same group of friends, disappeared. Two of the surviving members, Luce's ex-lover Josh and best friend Anna, see a new significance in her death. They follow the trail to Lord Howe Island, where they begin to suspect a conspiracy to hide what really happened. *Due Jul* (Australian)

**Dominique MANOTTI****Dead Horsemeat (2006)****192pp Pb \$22.95**

In 1968 a group of school friends campaigned together at Rennes. Now 1989, their paths cross in an entirely unexpected fashion as they start playing with fire, carried along by the euphoria born of power. Events begin to take off. Racehorses die under mysteriously, huge quantities of cocaine appear at Parisian parties and one of them meets a violent end when a bomb explodes in his car. *Due Jul* (French)

Guillermo MARTINEZ**The Book of Murder****224pp Tp \$30.00**

Art imitates life. Or does it? In Buenos Aires, the protagonist of Martinez's brilliant new mystery finds himself unexpectedly tangled up in the story of Luciana, a former authors' assistant and Kloster, a rival writer. In the decade since she last had anything to do with either of the writers, nearly all her close family have died in unusual circumstances. Luciana's convinced that her former employer Kloster is behind the deaths, punishing her for her part in the break-up of his marriage in a murderous frenzy of revenge worthy of one of his own novels. *Due Jul* (Argentinean)

Steve MARTINI**Shadow of Power****416pp Tp \$33.00**

Paul Madriani #9 Terry Scarborough is a legal scholar and author of a controversial book about racial discrimination. When he is found dead and a man with connections to hate groups is charged with murder, attorney Paul Madriani is offered the case. Madriani must pursue an elusive witness within the confines of the Supreme Court itself, a search that threatens the very foundation of government. *Due Jul* (American)

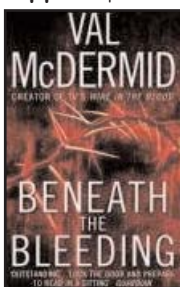


**Val McDermid****Beneath the Bleeding**

496pp Pb \$20.00

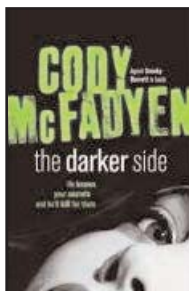
Tony Hill & Carol Jordan #5. When star

midfielder Robbie Bishop is poisoned, profiler Dr Tony Hill and DCI Carol Jordan have their work cut out for them. Then a bomb explodes in the football stadium, causing massive casualties, and another man dies from poisoning. Is there a link between the cases? *Due Jul* (Scottish)

**Cody McFadyen****The Darker Side** 352pp Tp \$33.00

Smoky Agent Barrett #3.

FBI Agent Smoky Barrett is called in to handle the case of a serial killer who appears to have committed a truly horrific number of murders already. The killer is someone who uses his victim's deepest secrets to destroy them. Smoky is under intense pressure to get results. Who will the next victim be? Everyone in the world has secrets. Even Smoky. *Due Jul* (American)

**Andy McNab****Crossfire**

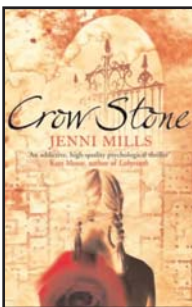
560pp Pb \$21.95

Body guarding a TV crew on the streets of Basra, Nick Stone seems certain to die when gunmen attack. Only the reporter's swift action saves him. When the reporter vanishes, presumed kidnapped, Stone is asked by the Intelligence Service to find him. The trail leads from Iraq to London, Dublin, and ultimately Kabul - a city where governments, terrorism and big business collide. Stone's nightmare is only just beginning - for the hunter has become the hunted. *Due Jul* (English)

Jenni Mills**Crow Stone**

400pp Pb \$25.00

Kit Parry is reluctant to take the job shoring up the ancient quarries beneath her hometown of Bath, a place as riddled with memories as it is with Roman ruins. Someone wants her out of Bath but who was it that brought her childhood to an abrupt end in the summer of her 14th year? When Kit stumbles across evidence of a lost Mithraic temple, the mysteries in her own past become entangled with a search for what could be the archaeological discovery of the decade. *Due Jul* (English)

**Chris MOONEY****Secret Friend** 448pp Tp \$32.95

Darby McCormick #2. When Judith Chen is found floating in Boston's Harbour, links are made with the murder of student Emma Hale. CSI Darby McCormick is assigned to the case and uncovers a piece of overlooked evidence from the Hale investigation which brings her into contact with a former FBI agent now on the Most Wanted list after a string of bloody murders. When a third student goes missing, Darby is led into a game of cat-and-mouse with links to the past - and a man who speaks to the Blessed Virgin. A man who wants to be a secret friend to the girls he abducts. *Due Jul* (American)

Hunter MORGAN**Don't Turn Around**

384pp Pb \$13.95

Casey McDaniel, a domestic violence victims' advocate, finds her life turned upside down after her friend's killer is set free and she discovers that someone is stalking her. *Due Jul* (American)

Steve MOSBY**Cry for Help** 288pp Tp \$33.00

Dave Lewis is a man with a history - his brother's murder, his parents' grief, his lost love, Tori. Detective Sam Currie failed to prevent his son's death but his priority now is a killer who is stalking the city, abducting girls and sending texts to their families before he kills them. When Lewis appears to connect both investigations, it's an opportunity Currie can't resist. *Due Jul* (English)

Walter MOSLEY**Fear of the Dark**

288pp Pb \$23.00

Fearless Jones #3. 'I'm in trouble, Paris.' For Paris Minton they mean only one thing: that his neck is on the line too. When his lowlife cousin utters them, Paris keeps the door to his bookshop firmly closed. But before long Paris is paying a call on his long-time friend and bodyguard, Fearless Jones. Criss-crossing the complicated landscape of 1950s Los Angeles, Paris and Fearless find desperate women, secret lives, and more than one dead body along the way. *Due Jul* (American)

Carol O'CONNELL**Shark Music** (2006)

464pp Pb \$21.95

Kathleen Mallory #9. A body is found in Chicago, its hand pointing down Adams Street. A silent caravan of cars drives down the road. They are the parents of missing children all brought together by the word that children's graves are being discovered along the road. Detective Sergeant Kathy Mallory drives with them. The child she seeks, though, is herself - adopted off the streets, her father unknown, and her mother dead. During the next few days, Mallory will find herself hunting a killer like none she has come across before, and uncovering the secrets that have haunted her all her life. *Due Jul* (American)

Susan PARISI**Blood of Dreams**

420pp Pb \$24.95

Pleasure rules in 18th century Venice. But while hedonists delight in the Carnevale, a killer stalks his victims, believing he has found the answer to immortality. Only one woman has the power to stop the slaughter. But as the killer draws closer, she uncovers a trail of sacrifice and betrayal leading back into her past. To unmask the murderer, she must set a trap with the power to destroy them all. *Due Jul* (Australian)

Robert B PARKER**Stranger in Paradise**

256pp Tp \$29.95

Jesse Jones #7. Jesse Stone is now a police chief in Massachusetts. When Crow, an Apache hit man, turns up in Stone's office, he is intrigued. 10 years before, Crow was part of a gang that had taken hostages when a bank raid went wrong. The hostages were released, but he also got away with enough money not to have to work again. So why is Crow back in town? *Due Jul* (American)

**James PATTERSON****The Dangerous Days of Daniel X**

272pp Tp \$32.95

With supreme abilities, like being able to shape-shift and move objects with his mind, Daniel is strong enough to take on anything in the world. It's the things from 'beyond' this planet that are the real problem. Daniel possesses a coveted List - that belonged to his father, before he was brutally murdered - targeting intergalactic criminals preying on the human race. Now, Daniel vows to take on his father's dangerous mission as the Alien Hunter. *Due Jul* (American)

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**Ridley PEARSON**

Killer Weekend 384pp Pb \$19.95
 Controversial New York State Attorney General Liz Shaler is announcing her candidacy for president at a high-profile convergence of media heavy-hitters. Also in attendance is an assassin with a brilliant and foolproof plan. *Due Jul* (American)

Terri PERSONS

Blind Rage 320pp Tp \$32.95
Bernadette Saint Clare #2. A string of young women committing suicide haunts the Twin Cities, but FBI Agent Bernadette Saint Clare thinks they didn't die by their own hand. Her best lead is a psychiatrist who treated one of the victims. When Saint Clare resorts to using her second sight to dig deep into the doctor's past, she'll discover dark secrets as complex as they are disturbing. *Due Jul* (American)

Elizabeth PETERS

Night Train to Memphis (1994) 434pp Pb \$21.95
Vicky Bliss #5. Vicky Bliss admits she doesn't know a thing about Egyptology. But her familiarity with criminality brings an intelligence agency to her with an offer. They want her undercover on a luxury Nile cruise because information has it that a major theft of Egyptian antiquities is in the works. Vicky suspects her occasional lover and frequent adversary, Sir John Smythe. When one of the crew is murdered Vicky finds she must put her emotions aside and join forces with her duplicitous lover if she wants to solve the case. *Due Jul* (American)

Into the Darkness (1990)

384pp Pb \$17.95
 Meg Venturi inherits her grandfather's antique jewellery business but she must share it with a somewhat sinister young man called A. L. Riley. Rumours spread about her new partner and soon Meg is looking uncomfortably over her shoulder. The longer she stays the clearer two truths become: that all that glitters is definitely not gold, and that someone will stop at nothing to drive her away. *Due Jul* (American)

Witch (1973) 320pp Pb \$15.95

For Ellen March, the secluded old house is a chance to start over, to forget her failed marriage and to get to know her handsome neighbour. But after dark strange visions invade her mind: silent strangers moving through the shadows, a ghostly figure and a spectral white cat. Ellen was hoping to bury the past, but something terrifying has taken its place. *Due Jul* (American)

Elizabeth PETERS

Sons of the Wolf (1967) 240pp Pb \$15.95
 Ada and Harriet's new guardian, Mr. Wolfson is a strangely magnetic man confined to a wheelchair and flanked by a pair of fierce dogs. Even more unsettling are Wolfson's two sons. One of them is warm and good-natured, the other is pure malevolence. But young Harriet is about to discover a frightening truth: that evil runs rampant throughout their new home and the surrounding moors, especially when the moon comes out. *Due Jul* (American)

Suzanne PRICE

Dirty Deeds 272pp Pb \$13.95
Grime Solvers Mystery #2. Cleaning wiz Sky Taylor is on her way to a stable, self-sufficient life. All she needs now is the contract to clean City Hall. She doesn't need is another murder investigation she gets both. The body of real estate developer Kyle Fipps is found and it's likely he was murdered. But when the investigation leads straight to City Hall, will Sky be the next one getting swept under the rug? *Due Jul* (American)

Ann PURSER

Sorrow on Sunday 288pp Pb \$13.95
Lois Meade Mystery #7. A rash of strange occurrences has Lois unsettled. Someone's been stealing tack from the equestrian set, and then a local is killed when a horse bolts in front of his van. Lois hardly knows what to make of the disturbances, but it becomes clear that she'd better figure it out post-haste, or she herself may take a nasty tumble. *Due Jul* (English)

Cornelia READ

The Crazy School 336pp Tp \$29.95
Madeline Dare #2. Madeline signs on as a teacher at an academy for disturbed teenagers. She discovers that at Santangelo Academy students and teachers alike must submit to the founder's bizarre therapeutic regimen. Maddie feels uneasy about Dr Santangelo. A chilling event confirms her worst fears and hints at an even darker secret that goes to the academy's very heart. *Due Jul* (American)

Matthew REILLY

The Six Sacred Stones 528pp Tp \$33.00
 For Jack West Jr and his team the challenge is to set six legendary diamonds known as The Pillars in place at six sites around the world before the deadline for global destruction arrives. The locations of these sites, however, can only be revealed by the fabled Six Sacred Stones. *Due Jul* (Australian)

Phil RICKMAN

The Fabric of Sin 352pp Pb \$19.95
Merrily Watson #9. Plans to renovate the Master House are frustrated when the builder refuses to work there. Directed to investigate, Merrily Watkins discovers ancient connections between the house and the nearby church built by the Knights Templar. Merrily's ready to quit when a sudden death changes everything, and she returns to uncover fibres of fear and hatred stitched into history and now insidiously twisted into the corridors and cloisters of power. *Due Jul* (English)

David ROBBINS

The Assassins Gallery 432pp Pb \$20.00
 Professor Mikhal Lammeck's specialty is the history of assassins and he's asked to help. An assassin is in Washington DC to kill the US commander-in-chief. As Lammeck and a killer circle the streets in the hunt for FDR, one of them will attempt to kill the world's most heavily guarded man, the other, to save him. For an instant, history will hang in the balance. *Due Jul* (American)

David ROLLINS

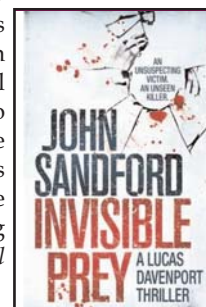
Hard Rain 432pp Tp \$33.00
Vin Cooper #3. When the USA attache to Turkey is found butchered special agents Vin Cooper and Anna Masters are sent to investigate. Within days, Portman's associates begin to die. There's a serial killer at large but nothing is making a hell of a lot of sense as Cooper and Masters find themselves hunted, smacked around, shot at, buried alive and blown up from Turkey to Iraq, to Egypt to Oak Ridge. *Due Jul* (Australian)

Marcus SAKEY

The Blade Itself 432pp Pb \$19.95
 Danny and Evan did a little bit of small-time stuff knocking over liquor stores. When Evan ended up in jail Danny went straight. Time passed and Evan got out. Evan thinks Danny owes him and Evan knows a secret or two that will tear Danny's new life apart. *Due Jul* (American)

John SANDFORD

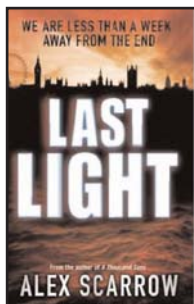
Invisible Prey 400pp Pb \$19.95
Prey #17. Two elderly women are murdered in their homes with only small items stolen, clearly random break-ins. But Lucas Davenport begins to wonder if the items are actually so small or the victims so random. A pattern emerges and it will lead Davenport to somewhere unexpected. Which is too bad, because the killers are expecting him. *Due Jul* (American)



**Alex SCARROW** **Last Light****496pp Pb \$20.00**

In the space of a few days, the world's oil supplies are severed and things begin to unravel. Jenny is fighting to get back to London and her children, which in the space of a week is transformed into a lawless vision of Hell.

Jenny's estranged husband, Andy is stranded in Iraq, and against all this, a mysterious man is tracking Andy's family. He'll silence anyone who might be able to reveal the identities of those behind the disaster. These people are prepared to do anything to keep their secret safe. *Due Jul* (English)

**Michele SCOTT** **A Vintage Murder****256pp Pb \$13.95**

Wine Lovers Mystery #4. Nikki and her boss-turned-boyfriend came to Australia to visit the Hahndorf Winery, but it seems they've also walked onto a movie set. And when lead actress is found dead in her trailer, bitten by a poisonous snake, Nikki must comb the vineyards of the valley to catch a killer with a venomous streak before she's struck herself. *Due Jul* (American)

Daniel SILVA **The Secret Servant****464pp Pb \$19.95**

Gabriel Allon #7. In Amsterdam, terrorism analyst Ephraim Rosner lies dead having requested a meeting with Israeli intelligence 24 hours before. Gabriel Allon discovers Rosner knew a major terrorist operation was in the works. In London, the goddaughter of the US President vanishes. With time running out, Allon has no choice but to plunge into a desperate search, both for the woman and for those responsible. The truth, when he finds it, is not what he expects. *Due Jul* (American)

Chris SIMMS **Hell's Fire****304pp Tp \$33.00**

DI Jon Spicer #4. When a corpse and satanic symbols are found in the smoking ruins of a church, DI Jon Spicer is called in. Fresh killings bring the realisation that those responsible are prepared to commit unspeakable acts in homage to their God. As the case threatens to engulf Manchester, can Spicer and those he loves escape unharmed? *Due Jul* (English)

**Mehmet Murat SOMER** **The Prophet Murders****224pp Pb \$23.95***Hop Ciki Yaya Thriller*

#1. In Istanbul transvestites are being murdered. Our protagonist, fellow transvestite and club owner dons her lipstick and ups the ante in the search for the religious nut. She's the perfect investigator: she knows everyone on the scene and she's very persistent. Our girl struggles against the odds in her pursuit - everyone knows that running in stilettos and a black leather cat suit is hell! Can she end the slaughter without breaking a nail? *Due Jul* (Turkey)

**Gertrude STEIN** **Blood on the Dining Room Floor****(1948) 128pp Pb \$11.95**

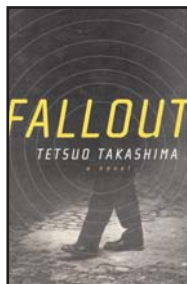
Shortly after the publication of her bestseller, *The Autobiography of Alice B Toklas* Stein found herself stymied by writer's block. A series of local crimes inspired this detective novel. *Due Jul* (American)

Peter STEINER **Le Crime: A Mystery****256pp Pb \$25.95**

Louis Morgon #1. When Louis Morgan finds a dead body on the doorstep of his house, he teams up with the local gendarme to solve a murder. Charming and delectable eccentricities a la Francais abound. Previously published as *A French Country Murder*. *Due Jul* (American)

Tetsuo TAKASHIMA **Fallout****288pp Tp \$29.95**

A diagram for a nuclear bomb is anonymously sent to an editor at the *Daily Californian*. Presidential advisor Frank Curly is found dead from an apparent self-inflicted gunshot wound in a Washington DC park. In his hotel room is a dead 15-year-old girl. Two men investigating seemingly disparate mysteries on opposite coasts unknowingly share a common bond, the clues to a conspiracy that could reshape the structure of a nation and create a terrifying new world. *Due Jul* (Japanese)

**Bill VIDAL** **The Clayton Account****352pp Tp \$32.95**

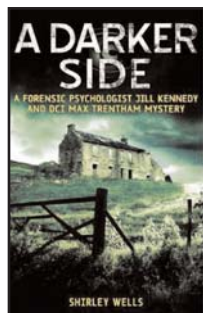
Thomas Clayton's father leaves in his will the contents of a numbered Swiss bank account containing \$50 million. It turns out that Tom's father was laundering money for the biggest cocaine baron in Medellin. *Due Jul* (American)

Dan WADDELL **The Blood Detective****304pp Pb \$32.95**

The body of a young man is discovered in a churchyard and the killer has left Detective Chief Inspector Grant Foster a cryptic clue. The clue is handed to Nigel Barnes, a specialist in compiling family trees, and the message becomes clear. It leads Barnes back to the victim of a Victorian serial killer. Then a second body is discovered. The clues appear to run along the tangled bloodlines that lie between 1879 and now. If Barnes is right about his blood-history, the killing spree has only just begun. *Due Jul* (English)

Shirley WELLS **A Darker Side****256pp Hb \$59.95** *Jill Kennedy* #2.

Forensic psychologist Jill Kennedy is enjoying the quiet life in Lancashire. Then Martin Hayden, a 17-year-old boy, is murdered, so DCI Max Trentham, Jill's ex-colleague and ex-lover, wants her back at work. It seems Martin wasn't above a spot of blackmail and his father isn't the distraught parent one would expect. When the killer strikes again, Jill and Max find themselves in a desperate race against time. *Due Jul* (English)

**Kate WILHELM** **A Wrongful Death****352pp Pb \$13.95**

Barbara Holloway Legal Thriller. Barbara's peaceful retreat on the coast is shattered when a terrified young boy leads her to a cabin in the woods where his mother lies senseless. Barbara runs for help, but by the time she returns with help both mother and son are gone. Barbara delves into the mystery of the missing child, only to realise that the kidnapping is a ruse for a more sinister plan. Obstacles thwart her every move yet none of these things compares to the shocking murder scene that awaits her. *Due Jul* (American)

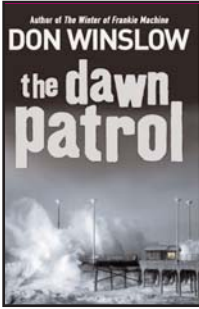
R D WINGFIELD **A Killing Frost****400pp Tp \$34.95**

Jack Frost #6. Detective Inspector Jack Frost is called to the discovery in the woods of a human foot. It's when two young girls go missing that the crime wave reaches terrifying heights. Detective Chief Inspector Skinner arrives at the station and has his eye on the Superintendent's office, but his first job is to transfer Frost. Will Frost find the missing girls before his nemesis forces him away once and for all? *Due Jul* (English)

**Don WINSLOW****The Dawn Patrol****320pp Tp \$32.95**

On Pacific Beach, California Boone Daniels, a laid-back private investigator straddles his long board. With him are his Dawn Patrol buddies. A huge storm is coming, bringing with it once in a lifetime waves.

When Boone takes a case with the help of lawyer Petra Hall, he's determined to wrap it up in time for the epic surf. But all sorts of trouble follows as the case turns personal, raising ghosts from Boone's past and dragging in the Dawn Patrol. Boone has to fight just to keep his head above water. *Due Jul (American)*



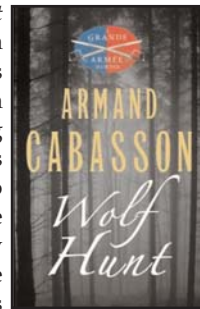
HISTORICAL CRIME

**J M C BLAIR****Excalibur Murders 320pp Pb \$13.95**

A Merlin Investigation #2. Merlin is no magician, merely a scholar and advisor to King Arthur. But after the supposedly magical Stone of Bran is stolen along with the legendary sword Excalibur, and one of Arthur's squires is murdered, Merlin must use the power of reason to catch a murderer. *Due Jul (American)*

Armand CABBASSON**Wolf Hunt 350pp Pb \$19.95**

Quentin Margont Investigation #2. In 1809, Napoleons Grande Army is in Austria. For young Lieutenant Lukas Relmyer, it is hard to return to the place where he and fellow orphan Franz, were kidnapped four years previously. Franz was murdered and Lukas has vowed revenge. When the body of another orphan is found on the battlefield, Captain Quentin Margont and Lukas join forces to track down the wolf that is prowling once more in the forests of Aspern. *Due Jul (French)*

**D S DAVIES (ED)****The Games Afoot 416pp Pb \$9.95**

Sherlock Holmes Adventures #7. Once more, the game's afoot as Sherlock Holmes returns in 20 new adventures specially commissioned for *Wordsworth's Mystery & Supernatural* series. The celebrated detective and Dr Watson investigate a variety of mysteries that will delight fans. *Due Jul (English)*

Jason GOODWIN**The Snake Stone 320pp Pb \$22.95**

Yashim the Eunuch #2. Istanbul, 1838, and a French archaeologist has arrived determined to uncover a lost Byzantine treasure. Yashim is hired to investigate him, but when the man turns up dead, Yashim is the only suspect. Once again, the investigator finds himself in a race against time to uncover the truth behind a secret society dedicated to the revival of the Byzantine Empire. *Due Jul (English)*

Ann GRANGER**A Mortal Curiosity 288pp Tp \$33.00**

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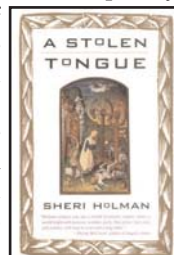
Burren #1. On the first eve of May 1509, hundreds of people from the Burren climbed the limestone terraces to celebrate, returning at dawn to their homes. But one man did not come back down. His body lay exposed on the mountain for two nights, and no one spoke of him, or told what they had seen. When Mara, a woman appointed to be judge and lawgiver came to investigate, she was met with a wall of silence. *Due Jul (Irish)*

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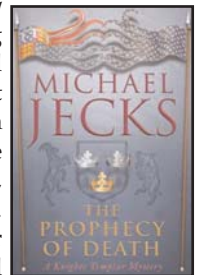
In 1483 Father Felix Fabri sets sail from Germany to Mount Sinai on a pilgrimage to venerate Saint Katherine. Joined by a young woman who claims that Saint Katherine speaks through her, and her brother whose intentions are never clear, Felix soon finds his expectations crushed. Felix's group comes ashore to pay homage but each time they come to worship, they find that the remains of Katherine's body are being stolen in bits and pieces. Felix is thrust into a deep and strange mystery that takes him across the desert and plumbs the depths of his soul. *Due Jul (American)*

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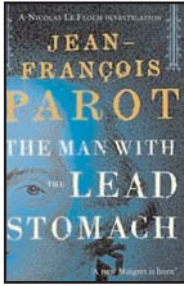
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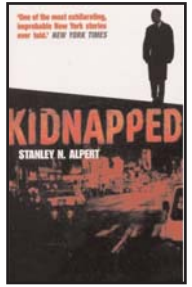
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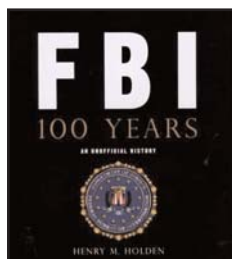
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