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Editor's Odyssey

A Reminiscence of Civil Service 1945 to 1985

Henry Speagle

HADDINGTON PRESS
ISBN 0975168037
192PP, ILLUSTRATED
HB, **\$33.00**

Foreword by Geoffrey

Blainey. *Editor's*

Odyssey recounts a

bygone age when

links to Britain were strong and

the public service played a vital role in

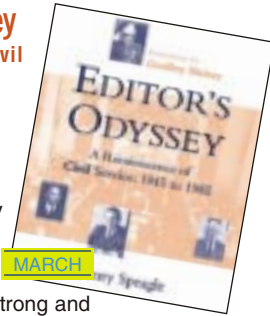
postwar reconstruction. The book contains

entertaining vignettes of many distinguished

Australians in prominent positions

encountered by Henry Speagle during his

career as Editor of the Victorian Year Book.



MARCH

Pathway to Treason

Ken Harris

HADDINGTON PRESS
ISBN 0975168010
310PP, PB, **\$29.95**

Australia in 2020 has

become a republic with a

Prime Minister and elected

President. A crisis

looms as the Prime

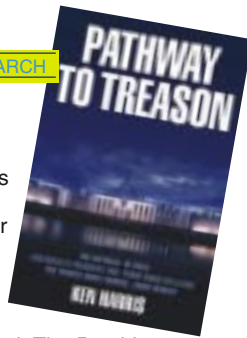
Minister proposes

sending troops abroad. The President

threatens to withhold his consent as

Commander-in-Chief. The Australian Defence

Force faces a dilemma. Who to obey?



MARCH

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multicultural community.



FEBRUARY



POINT-OF-SALE SWAP CARDS & POSTER: MAXX RUMBLE CRICKET, SEE PAGE 3



Matt the Mage

First Spells

Sally Odgers

BANANA BOOKS
ISBN 1876928964
144 PP, PB, **\$14.95**

Starvation Station is not a

promising place to live –

especially for a kid who

wants to be a mage. But

Matt makes the most of

it. First he enchants

some bubblegum, then

he encounters a camel that used to be

something else. The sky's not the limit as Matt

and Bertie the camel set off on a wild quest for

magic and adventure. Sally Odger's books

include *Bunyips Don't* (Scholastic), *The*

Reluctant Knight books (Koala) and *Candle Iron*

(Harper Collins) which won the 2002 Aurealis

Award for the best fantasy for younger readers.



MARCH

Catnapped

Chris McTrusty

BANANA BOOKS
ISBN 1876928077
120 PP, PB, **\$12.95**

Matt is suffering the

most boring Christmas

holidays in recorded

history - until the

neighbourhood cats

start to disappear.

Matt and his friends

turn detective to

solve the mystery, but the kids soon

discover that when you start poking your nose

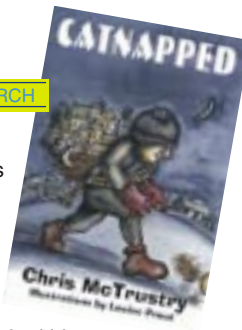
in where it's not wanted, it can get scratched!

Chris McTrusty's children's novel, *The Card*

Shark, was shortlisted for the Ned Kelly Awards,

and he has also written television scripts for

'Neighbours' and 'Home and Away'.



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Playing your own golf game

Rohan Dummert & Tim Pembroke

STRIKING THE WHITE PUBLICATIONS
ISBN 0646440926
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to-use evaluation

and lesson note

section • Foreword

by Craig Parry &

Introduction by

Brett Ogle, two of

Australia's most

popular golfing

personalities



LATE JANUARY

Playing your own golf game

For everyone who wants to build their own great golf game

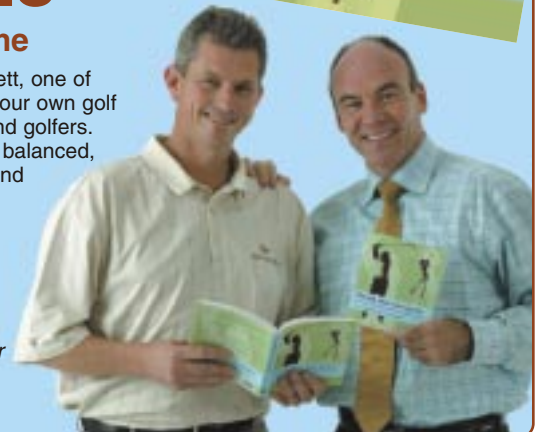
When Tim Pembroke, a successful businessman and keen golfer, challenged Rohan Dummert, one of Australia's top golf coaches, to co-author a golf-improvement guide, the result was *Playing your own golf game*. Based around a universal learning framework, it is set to inspire thousands of weekend golfers. Featuring detailed illustrations, the book covers the key fundamentals of golf and provides a balanced, tailored improvement program. It also includes an interactive practice section where coach and player can set goals and evaluate progress.

Playing your own golf game is an inspired new initiative which should dramatically improve the way that the 'weekend golfer' is taught. CRAIG PARRY

Playing your own golf game is a bold, inspired challenge to both players and coaches to change the way they learn and teach. BRETT OGLE

At the cost of a half-hour lesson, *Playing your own golf game* will be the best half-hour lesson you'll ever have. CHARLIE EARP – GREG NORMAN'S FIRST COACH

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Neville Kirk

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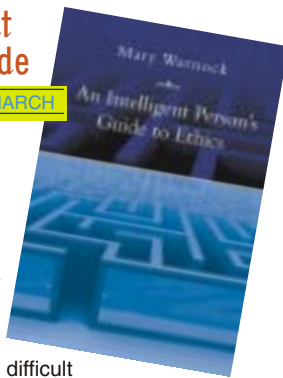


An Intelligent Person's Guide to Ethics

Mary Warnock

DUCKWORTH
ISBN 0715633201
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A reissue in hardcover of the controversial book by Mary Warnock, highly respected philosopher, which debates the difficult moral issues of today concerning such topics as abortion, euthanasia, genetic engineering and Down's Syndrome in a thought-provoking way.



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Leo Panitch et al (eds)

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Jeremy Bernstein

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The nuclear physicist most responsible for the creation of the atomic bomb, Oppenheimer also read widely in many languages, wrote poetry and conducted superb science.



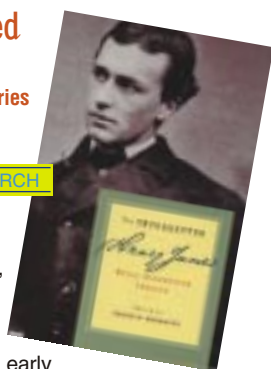
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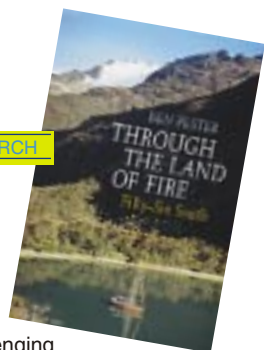


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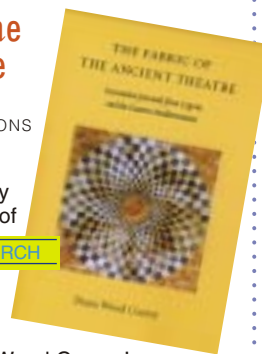


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The Bullies are living up to their name, but can they beat the Saints' DETERMINATION?

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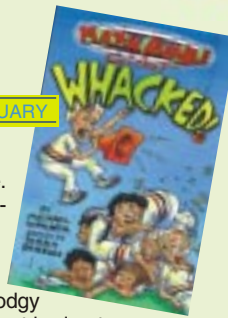
Maxx Rumble: Whacked!

Michael Wagner

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We got home for a single. I looked over at our team-mates. Why weren't they clapping? I could see the problem straight away – they were asleep! The Dodgy Duffers are the world's most boring team. Can Maxx keep his team-mates awake for long enough to win?

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Michael Wagner

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I marched up to the umpire and looked him in the eye. 'Mr Nuffin,' I said. 'We're being ripped off ... We're being had ... We're being CHEATED!' The Outhouse Rodents don't play fair. But will Maxx cheat as well, to win the game?

NOVEMBER



Maxx Rumble: Rattled!

Michael Wagner

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OUT NOW



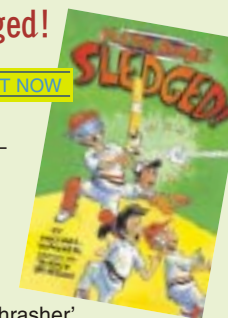
Maxx Rumble: Sledged!

Michael Wagner

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Everyone was laughing – even the umpires! I was getting bagged! I was getting teased! I was getting SLEDGED! How can Maxx lead his team to victory when super sledger Thelma 'Thrasher' Thatcher keeps putting him off?

OUT NOW



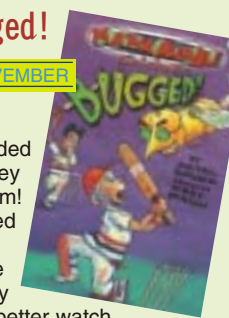
Maxx Rumble: Bugged!

Michael Wagner

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The commando flies landed on Rexx's shoulders. They almost flew away with him! At the last minute, I pulled him back down to earth! The Kreepy Crawlies are using strange and creepy tricks to win. But they'd better watch out, because Maxx is getting angry.

NOVEMBER



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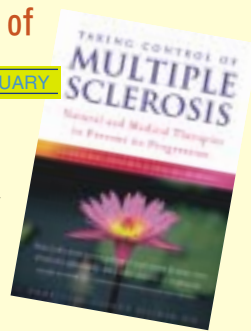
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David Holmgren

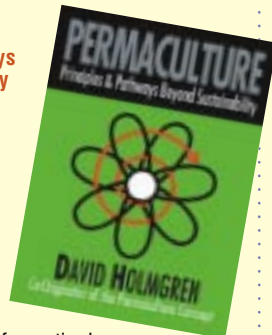
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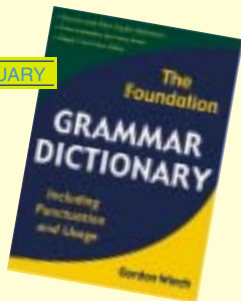
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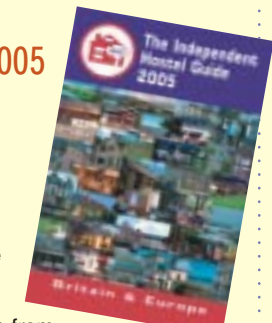
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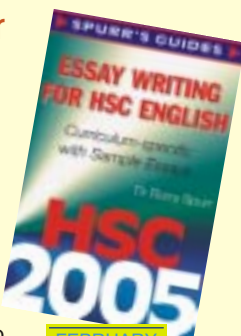
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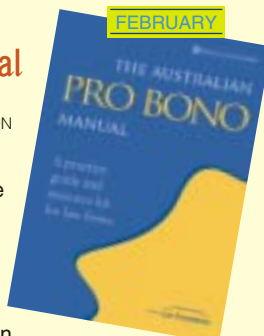
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Jill Anderson

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