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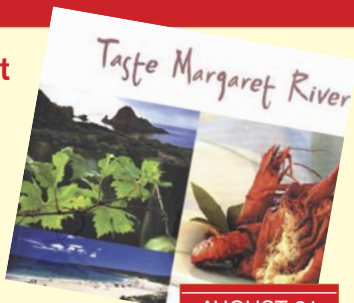
Taste Margaret River

Kerry Broom

NO FREE COFFEE
ISBN 0958598657
56 PP, FULL-COLOUR PB,

\$29.95

Taste Margaret River showcases the beautiful food, wine and scenery of the WA region of Margaret River. More than a celebration of Margaret River's wine and gastronomic fame, it is a veritable visual feast of everything wonderful from this stunning region. Christian Fletcher's photography captures its natural beauty as well as Margaret Johnson's food styling; food photography by Simon Furlong. The region's most sought-after chefs have surrendered their recipes for you to add to your list of gourmet treats.



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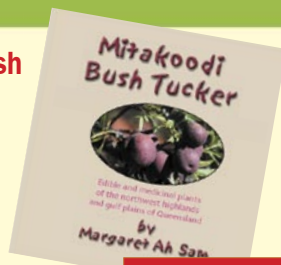
Mitakoodi Bush Tucker

Edible and medicinal plants of the northwest highlands and gulf plains of Queensland

Margaret Ah Sam & Cassy Nancarrow

BLACK INK PRESS FOR MITAKOODI JUHNJLAR ABORIGINAL CORPORATION
44 PP, FULL-COLOUR PB, **\$22.00**
ISBN 1863340092

Margaret Ah Sam has documented her knowledge of bush tucker with photos by Dale Rackham and with linguist Cassy Nancarrow to advise as she wrote down her own Mitakoodi language. A beautiful book to show people the true value of her land. Includes scientific species names for plants and pronunciation notes.



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Pet of the Year – Animal Insights

NEWS LIMITED
CITRUS PRESS
ISBN 0977535606
112 PP, FULL-COLOUR PB,

\$24.95

Third in the successful series, with 100 photos captioned with uncanny animal insights. How to broaden your horizons: lie on your loved one's shoes so they can't leave without you. Advice for a new you: exercises for a trampoline bed; cat tips on yoga; gourmet cooking lessons (don't forget to lick your chops). Animal views on world peace: adopting (animal) orphans; comforting those in need; sharing toys.



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Great CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS BOOKS

The Australian 12 Days of Christmas

Michael Salmon

ALLAN CORNWELL
ISBN 1876711310, 32 PP, PB,
\$14.95 REPRINT

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Michael Salmon

ALLAN CORNWELL
ISBN 1876711329
48 PP, PB, PLUS COLOUR
STICKERS **\$14.95**.

Michael Salmon's witty version of this Christmas classic is a proven best-seller with over 60,000 copies now in print. It's a classic among popular Australian childrens' books.

*Twelve possums playing,
Eleven lizards leaping
... six sharks-a-surfing, and a
kookaburra in a gum tree.*

48 pp activity book packed full of fun activities, colouring-in, jokes, songs etc is available for the Christmas Holidays too. Comes with 2 full-colour sticker pages.



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I think I just saw Santa

Howard Rees

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Dealing With Drugs A Guide for Parents

Tom McGill

INSIGHT PUBLICATIONS
118 PP, PB, **\$19.95**
ISBN 1921088370

Illicit drugs are part of today's society. Many young people are using drugs such as cannabis, amphetamines, ecstasy and heroin. This is a book for ALL parents to help them understand the realities of drug use as an issue that can affect any family. Author Tom McGill writes from the experience of being a parent facing this issue and as a professional drug counsellor, lecturer and consultant.



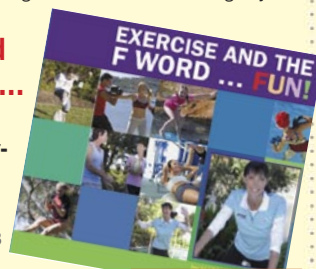
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Exercise and the F Word ... FUN!

Martha Lourey-Bird

INSIGHT PUBLICATIONS
ISBN 1921088613
164 PP, PB,
\$29.95

For many people, exercise is a dirty word. Martha Lourey-Bird, developer of the Weight Watchers fitness program, is serious about putting the FUN back into exercise – and getting the results! The focus of this book is making exercise enjoyable for everyone (not just fitness freaks!) so that exercise becomes a permanent and fun part of your life!



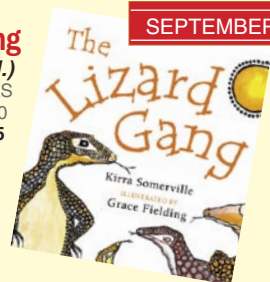
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The Lizard Gang

Kirra Somerville & Grace Fielding (ill.)

MAGABALA BOOKS
ISBN 1875641890
28PP, PB, **\$19.95**

Children's picture book. Meet Zed, Zoro, Eliza and Boo – a spirited gang of monitor lizards who learn the meaning of cooperation and teamwork when they have to work together to escape a raging flood that is threatening their home. Stunning illustrations by award-winning artist, Grace Fielding.



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A DECADE OF PRIDE

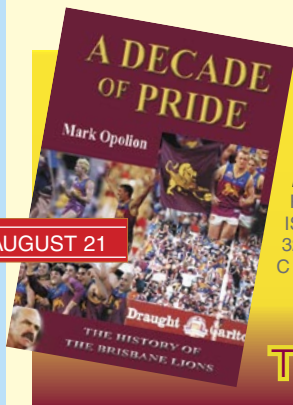
Mark Opolion

A Decade of Pride

A History of the Brisbane Lions

Mark Opolion
PENNON
ISBN 1920997024
320 PP PLUS PICS.
C FORMAT PB, **\$39.95**

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The 2006 AFL season saw the Brisbane Lions celebrate its 10th year after the merger with the Brisbane Bears and Fitzroy Football Clubs. The effort to win three consecutive premierships between 2001 and 2003 before the 2004 Grand Final loss have led many to rank this brilliant Lions era as the greatest by any VFL/AFL outfit. This book details the story game by game. A great reference for any 'footy' aficionado.

Ten Years of the Brisbane Lions

Ghost Horse of Meadow Green

Anne Louise MacDonald

KIDSCAN PRESS

ISBN 1553376374

208 PP, PB, \$14.95

Kim sees a beautiful black horse from her school bus window on the very day Gramma-Lou is coming to live with Kim's family. Gramma-Lou is Kim's best friend, sharing her passion for horses and loving her just as she is. But when Kim looks for the horse, it seems to have vanished. Was it a ghost? Kim's parents say it's nonsense, but when Gramma-Lou finally arrives, Kim's perfect plans are shattered and dark secrets come to light in Meadow Green. Great reading for 10-14 year-olds.



Martin Bridge

Ready for Take-off

Jessica Scott Kerrin & Joseph Kelly (ill.)

KIDSCAN PRESS

ISBN 1553377729

120 PP, PB, \$9.95

Meet Martin Bridge – a most special and ordinary boy whose well-meant plans sometimes go awry. In three illustrated stories, Martin encounters two bus drivers with very different ways of relating; makes a tough decision about a friend's pet; and takes on an extremely competitive model rocket project that almost costs him a friendship.



Martin Bridge On the Lookout

Jessica Scott Kerrin & Joseph Kelly (ill.)

KIDSCAN PRESS

ISBN 1553377737

144 PP, PB, \$9.95

Martin Bridge is back in another three illustrated stories about Martin's well-laid plans unravelling. This time, he has to entertain an unwanted guest, share lunch with a boy who eats erasers, and embark on a madcap search for his school's escaped pet parakeet. The daily discoveries, disappointments and triumphs of childhood – at home, at school and with friends – are evoked with humour and warmth.



The Isabel Factor

Gayle Friesen

KIDSCAN PRESS

ISBN 1553377389

256 PP, PB, \$14.95

When the fearless Zoe breaks her arm in a fall, Anna must brave summer without her best friend. Going it alone is not something Anna is ready for. There's no hiding from harsh truths and plenty of people to point them out. Sooner or later Anna will have to face another hard truth: things have changed between her and Zoe. But where can Anna hide when just being herself isn't nearly enough? Great reading for teenagers 12 and over.



The Amazing International Space Station

Editors of YES Mag

KIDSCAN PRESS

ISBN 1553375238

48 PP, LARGE

FORMAT, FULL-COLOUR PB,

\$16.95

Orbiting more than 350 km above Earth, the International Space Station is a technological marvel and a symbol of the advances that are being made through peaceful cooperation. Thanks to the combined efforts of 16 countries, this permanent orbiting laboratory will provide all of humanity with research into new technologies, and will allow us a dazzling glimpse into the future. Years 8 – 12.



Earthdance

Pratt Nicolson

KIDSCAN PRESS

ISBN 1550741551

48 PP, LARGE-FORMAT,

FULL-COLOUR PB, 16.95

Why do volcanoes spit lava? How do earthquakes shake solid ground? What creates a tidal wave and what makes geysers gush? For centuries, people have been fascinated with nature's tantrums. In Earthdance, kids can explore the jigsaw of tectonic plates covering our rambunctious planet and discover what happens when they collide. They'll read about people who fought lava with fire hoses, a girl whose house split down the middle and a whole town that suddenly disappeared. Years 8 – 12.



The Turning

Gillian Chan

KIDSCAN PRESS

ISBN 1553375769

200 PP, PB, \$14.95

Sixteen-year-old Ben Larsson is angry. His mother is dead. His estranged father has taken him to England. Then, Ben's life is consumed by unexplained events. Meanwhile, an ancient force is luring Ben into the woods nearby. Will the knowledge he finds there bring back order to his life or complicate it in ways unimaginable? Great reading for teenagers 12 and over.



My Little Everyday ABC

Bab-e-books

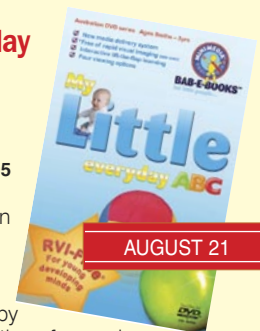
MINIMEDIA

PRODUCTIONS

DVD & CD ROM, \$34.95

ISBN 0977562409

This is the debut title in an all-new Australian DVD series which brings baby books to life! This title takes baby on a colourful exploration of everyday words and objects with fun and interactive lift-flap learning. Free of rapid visual imaging (or 'RVI') and other sensory overload found in conventional TV/DVD, Bab-e-books provide true educational value for the very young. Ages 0-3.



Now I Know I'm Ready For School

Geoff Jones

BILLY NUDGEL

BOOKS

PB & AUDIO CD,

\$19.95

ISBN 0958153833

Covering essential early learning concepts such as counting, letters, shapes, colours, seasons, science and much more, this fun-filled collection of songs again reflects Billy Nudgel's slogan 'Learning through music and fun'. Following on from the popular *Now I Know My Tables* CD, *Now I Know I'm Ready For School* is an essential and fun tool for all young learners.



Sports4Kids Series

This series' aim is to increase the awareness and participation in sport by our young and help the fight against obesity. *Sports4Kids* and the *Max & Molly's Sports Adventures* book series are proudly supported by Australia's national sporting bodies and sporting identities. Find out more at www.sports4kids.com.au. Written by Rachel Dodson.

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Eric the tuatarasaur's home is disturbed by an ever-increasing number of tourists. In search of a quieter home Eric all but destroys the rest of the country. The geography of New Zealand as you've never seen it before.

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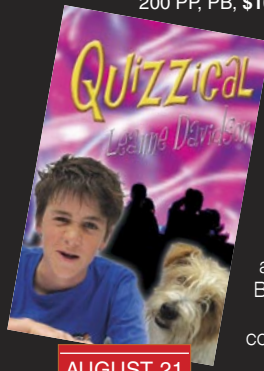


Let's Get Quizzical!

Quizzical

Leanne Davidson
LANDMARK/LJD BOOKS
ISBN 064645868X

200 PP, PB, \$16.95



Brain Davis is the smartest kid in his school, if not the world. Everybody knows it. He's the obvious choice when Daramour Primary is invited to compete in 'Quizzical', the popular general-knowledge tv quiz show. They'll be up against prestigious Daramour Grammar, a school that has never been beaten – at anything. And Brain can hardly wait.

But then strange things start to happen, and the first to be targeted is Mischief, Brain's beloved dog.

It's as if someone wants to stop Brain competing ...

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Aukam

The woman who wove by the light of the moon

Belinda Kabai

BLACK INK PRESS
ISBN 1863340211
24 PP, FULL-COLOUR PB, \$15.00

In the moon at night, you can see Aukam, weaving her mats. This traditional story is beautifully told and illustrated by a young Saibai Island woman. Written in the Western Torres Strait Island language of Kalaw Kawaw Ya as well as English.



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Bajirriga the Turtle

Trevor Fourmile & Lillian Fourmile (ill.)

BLACK INK PRESS
ISBN 1863340203
32 PP, FULL-COLOUR PB, \$15.00

Second traditional-style tale, but quite a different book from this creative mother-and-son pair. While explaining in a traditional style how the boy turns into a turtle, Trevor's story explores issues of a teenager's relationship with his community.



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Junjardee and the Red Bank

Janelle Evans & Jaquanna Elliott (ill.)

BLACK INK PRESS
ISBN 186334022X
32 PP, FULL-COLOUR PB, \$15.00

This story is for all those around Australia who ever wondered where the hairy little boy comes from. Janelle Evans, Wadja woman from Woorabinda, tells her version, with an insight into the land and the culture of her people, brought to life by Jaquanna Elliott's watercolour and charcoal illustrations.



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It's the WIGGLES!

The Wiggles Magazine

Next Publishing
32 PP, PB, \$4.95
ISSUE NO. 59: 23 AUGUST
ISSUE NO. 60: 27 SEPTEMBER
ISSUE NO. 61: 1 NOVEMBER
ISSUE NO. 62: 6 DECEMBER

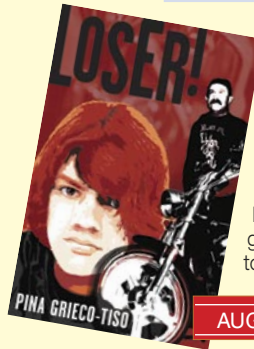
Australia's most successful children's entertainers, The Wiggles, star in their own official magazine. Published under licence, The Wiggles Magazine is unique – it caters solely for 2-6 year-old pre-schoolers. It has a national circulation of 25,000 and a readership of 100,000.



Loser

INSIGHT PUBLICATIONS
ISBN 1921088583
192 PP, PB, \$16.95

Life is all about sex, drugs, and rock and roll. If you're anyone other than Angus, that is. Angus is sixteen and a self-declared loser – his life is all about family holidays to Sydney and barbecues with his grandparents. But tough guy Nucc and his gang, and Caitlin with her secrets and problems – they're about to change Angus's life.



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Twelve *About Pets* books on our best friends, now available in an Australian edition, under the general editorship of well-known author and veterinarian Eric Allan, published by Landmark Press.

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Typical contents:

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Key features of the series:

- Most affordable books
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- Well written by experts
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LANDMARK PRESS
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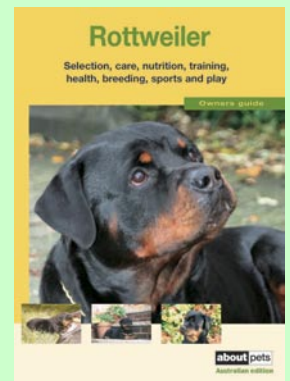
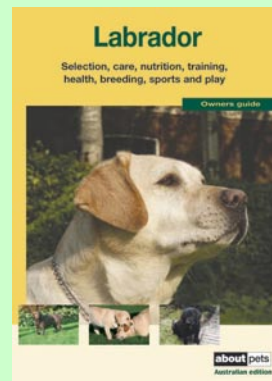
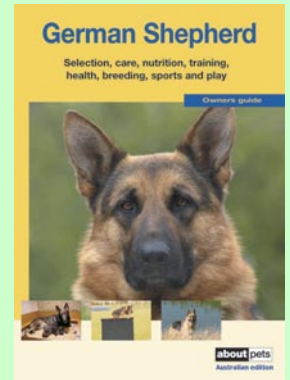
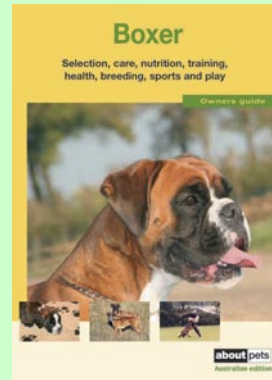
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The Zebra Finch

HANS KLÖREN
LANDMARK PRESS
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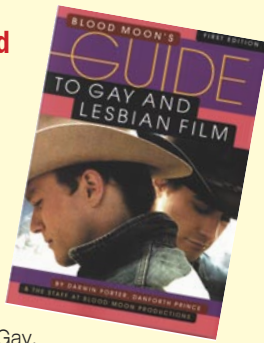


Guide to Gay and Lesbian Film

Darwin Porter & Danforth Prince

BLOOD MOON PRODUCTIONS
ISBN 097481184X
400 PP, PB, **\$39.95**

Here, assembled in one comprehensive volume, is a rundown of the year's most intriguing Gay, Lesbian and Trans-gendered films. It contains descriptions and reviews of 130 feature-length gay films and 72 shorts, with commentary, special features, and hundreds of photos. Fun, pithy, opinionated and informative.

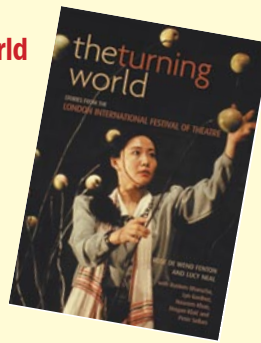


The Turning World Stories from the London International Festival of Theatre

Rose de Wend Fenton & Lucy Neal

CALOUSTE GULBENKIAN FOUNDATION
ISBN 1903080037
240 PP, PB, **\$49.50**

The Turning World reflects on international theatre and the ways in which British theatre has been influenced by exposure to radical productions presented by companies from around the world.



Stanley Kwan's Center Stage

Mette Hjort

HONG KONG UNIVERSITY PRESS
ISBN 962209791X
160 PP, PB, **\$38.50**

Stanley Kwan's Center Stage is widely recognised as a classic of the New Hong Kong cinema. Mette Hjort takes issue with the standard interpretation of Kwan's classic film, arguing that it is a condemnation of the kind of authoritarian modes of social organisation that fuel mean-spirited gossip.

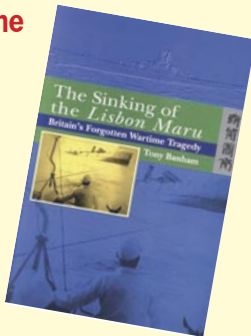


The Sinking of the Lisbon Maru Britain's Forgotten Wartime Tragedy

Tony Banham

HONG KONG UNIVERSITY PRESS
ISBN 9622097715
324 PP, HB, **\$89.95**

Almost 2000 British Prisoners of War were aboard the Japanese freighter Lisbon Maru when an American submarine torpedoed and sank her in October 1942. This book tells the story of those men, from the fighting in Hong Kong, through the sinking, and – for some – to liberation and beyond.

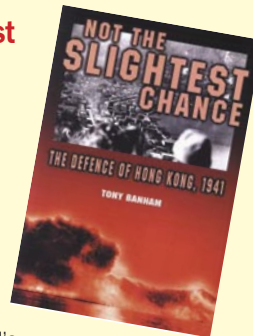


Not the Slightest Chance

The Defence of Hong Kong 1941

Tony Banham
HONG KONG UNIVERSITY PRESS
ISBN 9622097804
452 PP, PB, **\$59.95**

Now available in paperback, 'Not the slightest chance' was Winston Churchill's estimate of Hong Kong's prospects in the face of a Japanese onslaught. His prediction proved sadly accurate. Here we have a phase-by-phase, day-by-day, hour-by-hour and death-by-death account of the battle.



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C.A. Latimer

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In late 1959, twelve people set out on a voyage halfway round the world, from England to New Zealand. Latimer tells the story of an ill-prepared and prolonged passage which proved to be strangely enjoyable for a variety of unexpected reasons.



Genre Relations Mapping Culture

J.R. Martin & David Rose

EQUINOX PUBLISHING
ISBN 1845530489
256 PP, PB, **\$56.00**

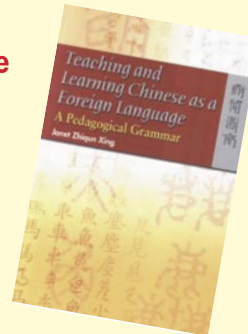
This book provides an introduction to genre analysis from the perspective of the 'Sydney School' of functional linguistics. After placing genre within the general model of language and social content, the book deals with five major families of genres – stories, histories, reports, explanations and procedures.



Teaching and Learning Chinese as a Foreign Language A Pedagogical Grammar

Janet Zhiqun Xing
HONG KONG UNIVERSITY PRESS
ISBN 9622097634
336 PP, PB, **\$59.95**

This book provides a research-based account of how to teach and learn Chinese as a foreign language. It is uniquely suited to teach Chinese in five key areas: pronunciation, characters and words, sentences, discourse and pragmatic competence and cultural competence.



A Cabinet of Wonders

Renee Dodd

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Markus Orths

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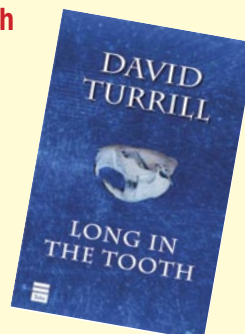


Long in the Tooth

David Turrill

THE TOBY PRESS
ISBN 1592641660
400 PP, HB, **\$54.95**

A thriller that mystery lovers will deeply savour as the multiple twists and turns take them on a journey of startling revelation and discovery.



The Colour of a Dog Running Away

Richard Gwyn

PARTHIAN
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338 PP, PB, **\$32.95**

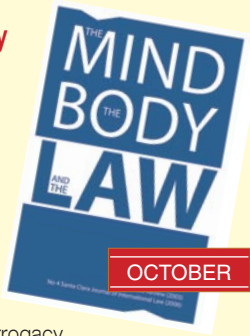
Set in the bohemian under-belly of Barcelona, this novel is a skilful combination of urban thriller and gothic historical drama focusing on Catharism, a 13th century heretical sect. With the intellect of Paul Auster and the flair of Hunter S Thompson, The Colour of a Dog Running Away is an enthralling contemporary mystery.



The Mind, the Body and the Law

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Robert Freestone & Bronwyn Hannah

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Australia's first lady architect is one of the most unconventional leaders in Australian journalism, building and urban design. Her colourful private life, right wing politics, idiosyncratic feminism and hostility to Walter Burley Griffin contrast with her impact as a publisher and flair for business. Florence had a way of reinventing her past, but the authors have sorted out inconsistent stories to create a true and absorbing illustrated biography.



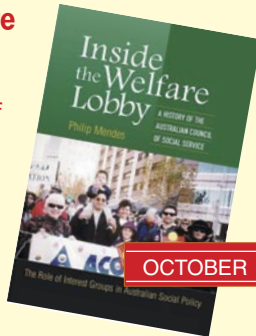
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Inside the Welfare Lobby

A History of the Australian Council of Social Service
The Role of Interest Groups in Australian Social Policy

Philip Mendes
ISBN 1845191196
144 PP, PB, \$49.50

The Australian Council of Social Service (ACOSS) has played a central role in the welfare politics debate as the foremost defender of the Australian welfare state. ACOSS is widely recognised as one of the most important lobby groups in Australia, and enjoys regular access to the media and key policy makers in government and the bureaucracy.



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Ken Taylor
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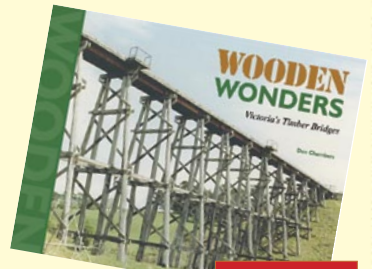
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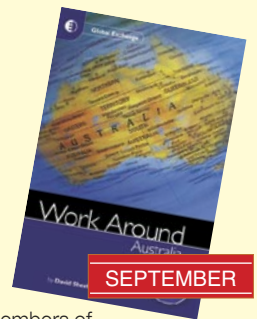


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