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Wooden Dinghies, Prams, Skiffs and Other Rowboats

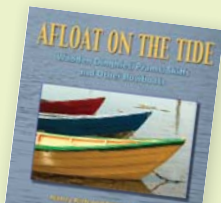
Nancy Rich and Peter H. Spectre

SHERIDAN HOUSE

ISBN 9781574092851, PB, 280 pp

AUS\$65.95, NZ\$72.50

Nancy Rich has been photographing the rowboats of the Atlantic coast for a decade. Paired with quotations from great thinkers, and the short story Rowboat from author Peter H. Spectre, the photographs in *Afloat on the Tide* offer a reflective journey through the strikingly beautiful world of small wooden craft.



MAY

The Perfect First Mate 2nd ed: A Woman's Guide to Recreational Boating

Joy Smith

SHERIDAN HOUSE

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black & white photos, PB,

240 pp

AUS\$43.95, NZ\$48.50

From packing and planning for needs aboard to enjoying life at dock or anchor and ashore, *The Perfect First Mate* helps boaters streamline tasks and maximise efficiency, safety and comfort, while above all leaving plenty of time for pleasure.



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Sustainable Sailing: Go Green When You Cast Off

Dieter Loibner

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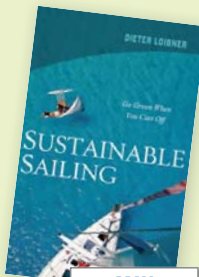
ISBN 978 1574092844, 30

black & white photos, PB,

224 pp

AUS\$54.95, NZ\$59.50

Offering advice to sailors on 'going green', this timely book embraces the growing trend toward sustainable lifestyles and shows how 'clean boating' can be both practical and enjoyable.



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CLASSIC FICTION

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Such is Life Annotated

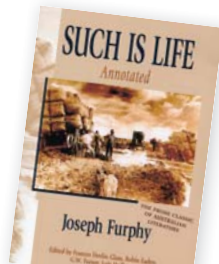
Joseph Furphy

HALSTEAD CLASSICS

ISBN: 9781875684304, PB, 480 pp

AUS\$36.95, NZ\$38.99

Previously titled 'The Annotated Such is Life', Halstead Classics' much admired annotated edition is reissued with a title that works better in alphabetic searches. Furphy's famous classic is just as popular as it was 100 years ago, but thanks to the lively annotations, no longer so mysterious.



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Davidson

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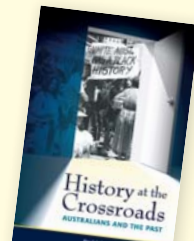
Australians and the Past Paul Ashton and Paula Hamilton

HALSTEAD PRESS

ISBN: 9781920831844, PB, 160 pp

AUS\$28.95, NZ\$34.99

Described by Mark Twain as 'beautiful lies', Australian history has always been fought over. With Australia on the brink of Kevin Rudd's national history curriculum, this book explores the issues confronting us in 2010: Who owns the past? How do politicians use it? How does it shape who we are? An absorbing insight into the power, privilege and pleasures of the past.



JULY

Not a Poor Man's Field

Michael Waterhouse

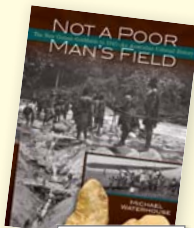
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ISBN: 9781920831837, HB,

240 pp

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Between the wars, New Guinea goldfields attracted colourful characters, and yielded great riches to those who could afford to exploit them. In remote jungles, aviation records were broken. More air freight was carried in New Guinea than Europe or America. This richly illustrated book tells the story of Australia's inept and ruthless colonial administration and complex race relations. A vivid picture of life on the frontier.



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Eve Hillary

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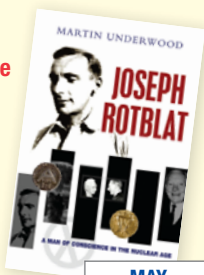


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Martin Underwood
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Joseph Rotblat was a distinguished scientist who made a significant contribution to nuclear physics, worked on the development of the atomic bomb, and was suspected of being a Soviet spy. After Hiroshima and Nagasaki he became a peace campaigner and dedicated himself to the medical uses of nuclear physics and radiation.



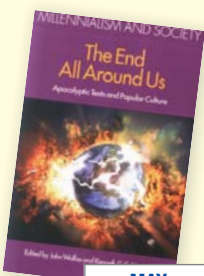
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The End All Around Us:

The Apocalypse and Popular Culture

Edited by John Walliss and Kenneth G.C. Newport
EQUINOX PUBLISHING
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234 x 156 mm, 224 pp
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John Ashbery
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John Ashbery continues to delight and challenge with his inventiveness. *Planisphere* takes the reader on a dizzying journey in the company of a virtuoso and sorcerer who makes the commonplace magical, disorients and teases, and conjures glimpses of 'horizons... bright and anxious': 'a space like a dream'.



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Edited by Christopher Partridge and Eric Christianson
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Personification of evil in the form of demons, devils, spirits, vampires and other malign entities can be found across the popular culture spectrum. This book brings together an international team of some of the most important and creative scholars in Biblical and Religious studies and in Christian Theology, who examine the demonic foil within popular culture.



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Ian Collinson
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What do people do with books? This research combines a number of academic approaches (cultural geography and sociology; literary and cultural studies; and cultural history) to understand the complex nature of readers' everyday encounters with their books.



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Global Raving Countercultures

Graham St John
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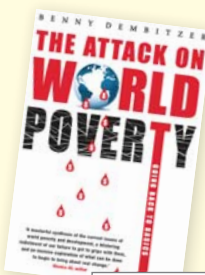


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The Attack on World Poverty:

Going Back to Basics
Benny Dembitzer
THE MERLIN PRESS
ISBN 9781854250995, PB,
288 pp
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Working at the Interface:

Call centre labour in a global economy

Work Organisation, Labour and Globalisation Volume 3 Number 1
Edited by Ursula Huws
THE MERLIN PRESS
ISBN 978 0850367003, PB,
234 x 156 mm, 148 pp
AUS\$49.50, NZ\$54.50

Call centres illustrate the consequences of globalisation for labour perhaps more clearly than any other form of employment. Workers have to transcend the limitations of local time zones, cultures and speech patterns while having to absorb the anger, incomprehension, confusion and racist abuse whilst meeting exacting productivity targets.



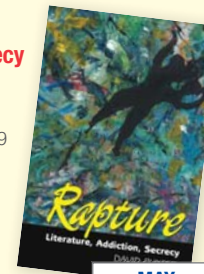
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David Punter
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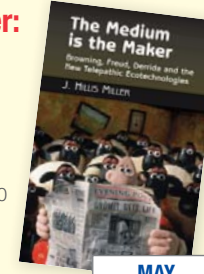
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Browning, Freud, Derrida and the new telepathic ecotechnologies

J Hillis Miller
SUSSEX ACADEMIC PRESS
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Gabriel Josipovici
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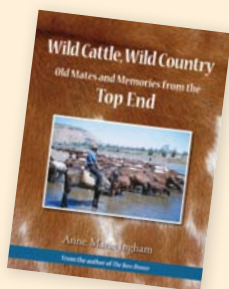


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ANIMAL FAVOURITES

Wild Cattle, Wild Country: Old Mates and Memories of the Top End

Anne Marie Ingham
HALSTEAD PRESS
ISBN 9781920831745
HB, 280pp, 260mm x 205mm
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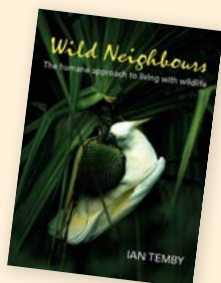
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Ian Temby
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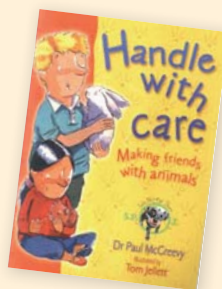
Eric Allan, Rowan Blogg
HYLAND HOUSE
ISBN 9781864471052
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Fully revised and expanded edition. Written for ordinary dog owners, it covers every aspect of the care and health of dogs from puppyhood to old age. Two experienced veterinarians and authors have written this authoritative and detailed guide on all canine diseases and conditions, symptoms, prevention and treatment and when to call for a vet.

Handle with Care: Making Friends with Animals

Dr Paul McGreevy
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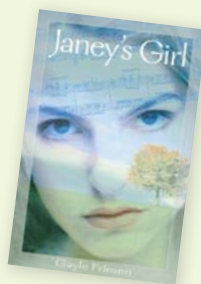
Music is Ben's love and also his hope for a better life. During one Depression-era summer, a new and extraordinary cottager on Ontario's Lake Muskoka unexpectedly opens the doors for his dream to become real.



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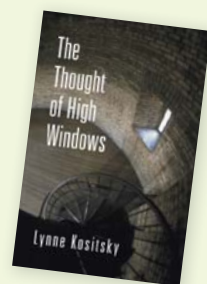
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The Watcher's Quest Book 1
Margaret Buffie
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Gayle Friesen
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In this novel by Gayle Friesen, normal life for Jes is slipping away. Her mother is getting married again and is totally preoccupied with planning the perfect wedding. And if one fool in love is not enough, Jes's best girlfriend has fallen for a complete jerk. To make matters worse, Jes also has to deal with Angela, her soon-to-be stepsister, who has come to stay for a month before the wedding. A half-crazed mother, a lovesick friend, a perfectly evil stepsister — could things for Jes get any worse?



The Seeker

The Watcher's Quest Book 2
Margaret Buffie
KIDS CAN PRESS
ISBN 9781553373599,
Ages: 10 to 14, PB, 370pp
200 x 135 mm
AUS\$14.95, NZ\$17.00

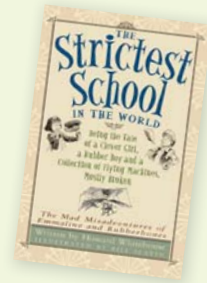
The second volume of Margaret Buffie's *Watcher's Quest* trilogy. Emma's Earth mother, Leto, is dying. Longing to be reunited with her human daughter, Ailla, who was stolen at birth, she has lost her will to live. Emma has pledged to find the missing child and restore order to her adopted family's life. But the quest becomes a dangerous race when Emma realizes she isn't the only one searching for Ailla.



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Gayle Friesen
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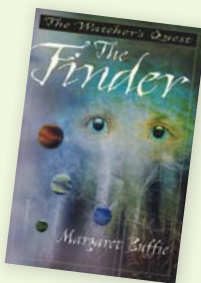
When the fearless Zoe breaks her arm in a fall, Anna must brave summer camp and her debut as a Counselor In Training without her best friend. Going it alone is not something Anna is ready for.



The Finder

The Watcher's Quest Book 3
Margaret Buffie
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Ages: 10 to 14, PB, 416pp
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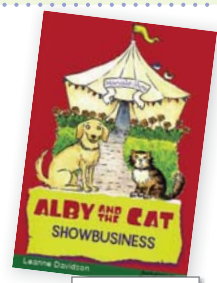
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Alby and the Cat: Showbusiness

Davidson
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AUS\$9.95, NZ\$12.00

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