

# The Shelf Shuffler

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## **Message from the Library Manager**

Recent welcome rains have certainly boosted our water supplies across many areas of NSW. The Bega Valley has enjoyed seriously good falls around the Shire, as well as crisp winter mornings ahead of generally warm sunny days. No shortage of activities in our libraries again this quarter with

- Drug Action Week
- Law Week
- Internet Training at all branches continues each term
- School Holiday activities abound
- Mobile Library presence around the Shire and local events
- @ Your Library Campaign - themes every month

And coming up...

- Children's Book Week
- Aboriginal Family History Workshop
- Many more NEW Fiction titles coming over the next 12 months

We appreciate your support of our services, and we invite you to continue to enjoy our lifelong learning journey together. Copies of our Newsletter will be available at all our libraries, or you can download a copy from our Website by going to [www.begavalley.nsw.gov.au](http://www.begavalley.nsw.gov.au), click on Community & Library, Library Services and Newsletter.

*Manager, Library Services*

## **WHAT DO I READ NEXT?? - READERS' ADVISORY SERVICE**

### **Recommended authors for Men**

Tanya King, who many of you will know as our relief Mobile Library Operator is also another of our Reader's Adviser Staff – here to help you find the next great book to read! In this Newsletter Tanya has listed a number of authors of interest to our male readers – but not to discriminate - our female readers may enjoy them too!

Tanya says "I have read some of these titles myself, and have seen all the others disappear off the shelves at a very rapid rate! I feel very confident that whichever title appeals to you, it will provide a few hours of pleasant relaxation. Please remember that for your convenience, some of our titles are also available in Large Print or Audio Book format – Happy Reading!" - Tanya



**David Baldacci** - Political suspense, adventure, corruption. Very adept at creating riveting, well-thought out plots that are hard to put down!

**Recommended Titles** – **Split Second, The Simple Truth**

**Bernard Cornwell** – Superbly plotted, action-packed, passionate human drama, vibrant intriguing characters, and a master of two genres: - yachting sea stories and British historical military fiction. Author of a series of books featuring the televised character Major Richard Sharpe. Experience terrorism, adventure, the fury and desperation of 19<sup>th</sup> century land battles, or wild ocean chases, where you almost feel the sea swirl around you!

**Recommended Titles** – **Stormchild, Killers Wake, Sharpe's Enemy, Sharpe's Triumph**

**Eric Lustbader** – Adventure and romance, high tension martial arts battles, intrigue and sex, provides a feast of insights into the mysteries of the oriental mind –

**Recommended title** – **The Kaisho**

**Patrick O'Brian** – Rollicking tales of the High Sea! A Napoleonic storyteller, with a gift for creating the feeling of being there yourself. His tall ships and their brave crews undergo much action and adventure, whilst the stories are rich with culture and history. Author of at least 20 books, he has a huge following amongst lovers of past eras, travel to new lands, and gripping excitement!

**Recommended Titles** – **The Mauritius Command, The Hundred Days**

*And More...*

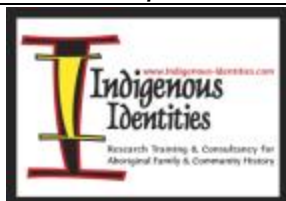
*P T Deutermann – Thriller*

*James Grippando – Murder mysteries*

*Gabrielle Lord – Australian Crime/Mysteries*

*John J Nance - Adventure, human drama*

*Peter Temple – Australian crime*



Koori Librarian, Ronald Briggs from the State Library NSW is visiting Bega Library this month. He will be conducting a public workshop designed to familiarise people with resources used for Aboriginal family history as well as with aspects of community and local history research.

**The workshop will be held on Monday 18 July from 9.30am to 1pm at the Bega RSL. No cost for the workshop but bookings are essential and can be made by contacting Bega Library on 6499 2127. For enquiries please contact the Local and Family History Librarian, Linda Albertson, [lalbertson@begavalley.nsw.gov.au](mailto:lalbertson@begavalley.nsw.gov.au). Morning tea provided.**



*We have subscribed to a database called **NSW Family History Document Service**. This service provides images of historical documents containing information to help you trace people who lived and worked in New South Wales during the period 1850 - 1920. If you would like a demonstration on how to use the database, please contact Linda Albertson, [lalbertson@begavalley.nsw.gov.au](mailto:lalbertson@begavalley.nsw.gov.au) to make a time.*

**EXTRA, EXTRA, – READ ALL ABOUT IT!!**  
**More Sydney Morning Herald newspaper on microfilm, now taking the collection back to 1831. Available for use at Bega Library**

### **COMING EVENTS.....**

**Local Government Week – 1-7 August, 2005**

**Children's Bookweek 20-26 August, 2005**

**Internet Courses – Term 3 – Check your local library for dates**

**National Simultaneous Storytime at Bega Library – 11am, Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September, 2005**