

# The Shelf Shuffler

Quarterly Newsletter of the Bega Valley Shire Library  
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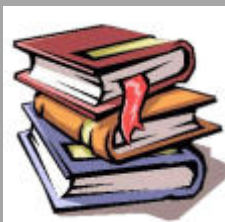
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*Message from the Library Manager*

Welcome to the first issue of our Library Newsletter. We hope it will provide you with loads of interesting, exciting and fun information about what's happening @ your libraries across the Shire. With 4 Branches and a Mobile service, staff are kept very busy, working to provide you with a quality library service at all locations.

We plan to have Book Reviews, competitions, poetry and a whole lot more in each and every issue.

Libraries are one of the most well used educational, cultural and social facilities within any community. We are the hub of the community, attracting a wide range of users.

We appreciate the support of our community, we value your custom, and as the libraries grow, as collections and technology expand, we will be here to support your needs as best we can.

We hope you enjoy our newsletters as they come “**hot off the press**” every quarter. Copies 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*



### ***Eden Library Opens***

*On Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March, 2004, the library was officially opened by the Mayor, Cr David Hede and Ms Dagmar Schmidmeier AM, State Librarian and Chief Executive of the State Library of New South Wales.*

*Since the library opened at the Eden Gateway in September 2003, loans have increased by 30% and more than 100 new members have joined.*

*The library is co-located in the facility with Council Office staff, Visitor Information Centre and Community Technology Centre*

## *School Holiday Activities – April 2004*

### ***T-Shirt painting and/or making sun visors***

Bega Library -Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> April 10.30am – 11.30am

Merimbula Library -Friday 16<sup>th</sup> April, 10.30am – 11.30am

**NB. A small charge will apply for these activities**



### **Storytime for 7 yrs & under**

Merimbula Library - Tuesday 20th April 10.30am till 11.30am

Bega Library - Thursday 22nd April 10.30am – 11.30am

**NB No cost for these sessions.**

## **New titles added to collections**

A total of 595 new titles were added to library collections in February - like

### **ADULT FICTION**

Persuader by Lee Child

Absolute friends by John Le Carre

Wake of the Perdido Star by Gene Hackman

Blue Horizon by Wilbur Smith (also available as a Talking Book)

The Suffragette by Janet Trotter

### **ADULT NONFICTION**

The self-esteem repair & maintenance manual by rex Dalby

Beneath the cassock: the real-life vicar of Bibley by Joy Carroll

Himself & other animals: a portrait of Gerald Durrell by David Hughes

Black opal fossils of Lightning Ridge by Robert Smith

DVD  
Spiderman

### **VIDEO**

Who framed Roger Rabbit

### **YOUNG ADULT**

Toby Jones and the magic cricket almanack by Michael Panckridge

Riding the waves by Theresa Tomlinson

Tell me no lies by Malorie Blackman

### **EASIES**

Duck in the truck by Jez Alborough

The Hairy toe: a traditional American tale by Daniel Postgate

*Check out the catalogue in your library or at our Website [www.begavalley.nsw.gov.au](http://www.begavalley.nsw.gov.au)*

## **Youth Week**

*Come & celebrate National Youth Week*

*On Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March 4pm – 6pm in*

*Littleton Gardens, Bega, with Bega Valley Shire Youth Council and Auswide Projects*



## **Seniors Week 14- 21 March, 2004**

*A very successful week of Internet training at all libraries during this week, in partnership with Far South Coast Community College, Friends of the Libraries, Bega Valley Shire Library & support from a NSW funded Seniors Week Grant*

## **Book Launch**

Local author, Michael Menager's latest title, "**In the Shadow of Greatness**" was launched at Bega Library on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> March. His book tells the story of 5 extraordinary women and the men of genius they served. It's a powerful work – you can borrow a copy from the library or place a reserve if it's out on loan.

**IF YOU'D LIKE TO SUBMIT A BOOK REVIEW FOR THE NEXT ISSUE IN JUNE,  
HAVE A CHAT TO LIBRARY STAFF**

