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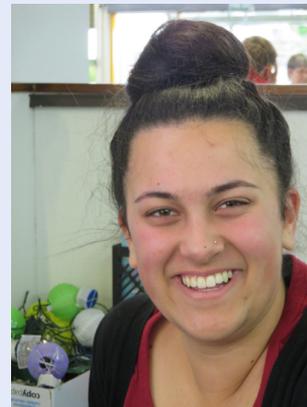
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COVER: One of the great pleasures of the Summer Holidays is the relaxing time off to do some reading. We can't guarantee a spot by the beach or a sunny day, but we can guarantee a great selection of books for you to choose from.

A Closer Look at Our People

This month we feature two members of staff, Shanti and Tane who are working at the Library this Summer.

Hi, My name is Shanti Patel Cornish and I am working at the Library as a member of the Summer Reading Programme Team (my first time). I have just completed Year 11 at Wairarapa College and this year I will be doing Year 12.



Hi, my name is Tane Rutene and I am part of the Summer Reading Team. During the year I also work part-time at the Library on Tuesday afternoons and Saturday mornings. This year I will be going into Year 12 at Wairarapa College.





From your Library...

Library Manager, Sandy Green

This is the first Shelf Life for 2016 and the start of a new year, which is traditionally a time to reflect on the year that was...

2015 started with the very successful **Summer Reading Programme** which was closely followed by the refurbishment of the Library – hardly even time to take a breath in between! The refurbishment went on for several months as we finalised all the shelving setup and signage, and slowly moved everything we had sent down to the basement back upstairs again. The main floor came first and then when we had just about got most things sorted, we carpeted and painted the upstairs, moving all the staff desks, resources and technology and clearing all the shelves. This involved more stuff being sent to the basement, some of which has only just been sorted.

The staff are really pleased to see the way the Library community has embraced the changes and continued to use the library for so many of our services. In an environment where most public libraries are experiencing a drop in issues of materials of around 4% per annum, we are really excited that we are very stable with our issue rate with a drop of just over half of 1% in the calendar year January to December 2015, even with being closed for 2 full weeks!

The year continued at high pace for us as we added online services for **Generosity, Lynda.com** and the latest addition, our online magazines service **Zinio**. All these services are available through the Library and Archive Home Page **www.library.mstn.govt.nz** Our latest service addition is the Maker Crate with opportunities for the Masterton Community to learn about coding, 3D printers, laser and vinyl cutting machines etc. We plan to have demonstrations and booked sessions for groups to experience the Maker phenomenon which is sweeping the world and becoming an integral part of many public library's services.

Thank you for your continued support for the library and we welcome any suggestions that you might have for us to improve our services and the way we deliver them. We will be offering even more new services and lots of new books, magazines and DVDs in 2016, and look forward to you using these and continuing to support us in our endeavour to be 'the greatest little library in the world.'

How's That? Cricket in the Library

Cricket is often referred to as 'the Summer game' and this month sees the completion of the Sri Lankan tour to NZ; 20/20 and One Day Internationals against Pakistan; and in February a rare visit to these shores by the World Champion Australian team for One Day Internationals and two Test matches. The White Ferns will also be playing the Australian women's team in Feb/March, and the Ford Trophy and Plunket Shield competitions will be contested by the six provincial sides. There will, in short, be a wealth of cricket over the Summer, but for anyone wanting to learn more about the sport, or relive memories of older players and games, there are plenty of cricket themed books available from the library.

Among the books for those wanting to learn more about cricket are **Cricket: Complete Skills** by Luke Sellers; **Sporting Skills: Cricket** by Clive Gifford, and **How to Play Cricket** by Garrie Hutchinson. **Cricket Speak** by Justin Brown takes a slightly different tack by attempting to give examples of cricketing banter to be yelled in the direction of players, umpires or opposition supporters. Also by Justin Brown is **Bowling Through India** which recounts the experiences of five kiwis touring India and playing cricket against locals whenever possible.

Biographies of cricketers are plentiful and here at Masterton Library we have books by, or about, such famous cricketing names as Sir Ian Botham, Sir Donald Bradman, Ian Chappell, Harold Larwood, Dennis Lillee, Glen McGrath, Sachin Tendulkar and Shane Warne. Understandably we have many books on famous New Zealand cricketers including Lance Cairns, Ewen Chatfield, Martin Crowe, Geoff Howarth,

Gavin Larsen, Sir Richard Hadlee, John Reid, Ken Rutherford, Ian Smith, Bert Sutcliffe, Glen Turner, and Daniel Vettori.

In **Great New Zealand Cricket Families**, Joseph Romanos looks at the interesting occurrence of brothers or fathers and sons playing cricket for NZ, covering great cricketing family names such as Cairns, Crowe, Hadlee, and Howarth. One of the most remarkable families, and one with a local connection, are the Bracewells. Four of the Bracewell brothers played first class cricket, two going on to represent New Zealand. Doug Bracewell (who also played rugby for Wairarapa Bush) is a Masterton councillor and his nephew and namesake Doug is a current Black Cap, while another nephew Michael, has become a fixture in the Otago provincial side.

2015 was a very successful year for the Black Caps team with highlights including reaching the final of the Cricket World Cup; test wins against Sri Lanka (leaving them unbeaten at home since 2012); and Kane Williamson achieving the ranking of the world's No. 1 test batsman. If the results (or the weather) do not allow for as much success in 2016, there's always our cricketing books to fall back on.



Kane Williamson: in December 2015 ranked the best test batsman in the world.

2015: the Year in Books

29 JAN. Australian author Colleen McCullough, best known for *The Thorn Birds*, dies aged 77.

12 MAR. British Fantasy/Humour writer Terry Pratchett, best known for his Discworld series, dies aged 66.

02 MAY British crime writer Ruth Rendell, best known for her Chief Inspector Wexford stories, dies aged 85.

21 JUN. 'Miffy' the adorable white rabbit created by Dutch children's book author and illustrator Dick Bruna turns 60.

06 JUL. English children's book writer and illustrator Shirley Hughes awarded the first ever Book Trust Lifetime Achievement Award.

14 JUL. *Go Set A Watchman* by Harper Lee published, some 55 years after the authors' Pulitzer Prize winning *To Kill a Mockingbird*.

21 JUL. American author E.L. Doctorow, best known for his works of historical fiction, dies aged 84.

28 JUL. *What Pet Should I Get?* by Dr. Seuss is published following the discovery of a previously unknown manuscript, believed to have been written some time between 1958 and 1962.

11 AUG. C.K. Stead named new NZ poet laureate.

14 AUG. R14 restriction removed from Ted Dawe's *Into the River* by the Film & Literature Board following application by Auckland City Libraries

07 SEP. *Into the River* by Ted Dawe temporarily banned by the Film and Literature Review Board following complaint from Family First NZ.

20 SEP. English-born, US-based, romance novelist Jackie Collins dies, aged 77.

05 OCT. NZ author William Taylor, best known for his children and teen's books dies, aged 77.

05 OCT. Swedish author Henning Mankell, best known for his Inspector Kurt Wallander novels, dies aged 67.

14 OCT. *Into the River* no longer banned or restricted after reconsideration by the Film & Literature Review Board.

14 OCT. Man Booker Prize Winner announced: *A Brief History of Seven Killings* by Marlon James.

23 OCT. J.K. Rowling reveals she is writing a two-part play featuring a middle-aged Harry Potter

03 DEC. *Mein Kampf* by Adolf Hitler to be published in Germany after a ban of 70 years.

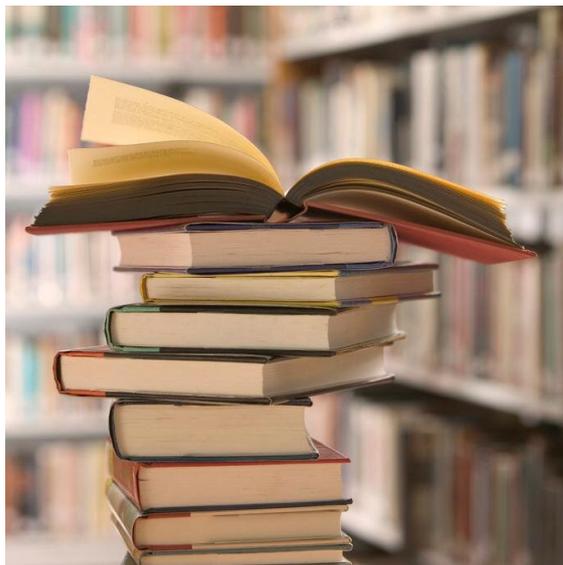
23 DEC. 200th Anniversary of the publication of Jane Austen's *Emma*.

More from ZINIO



Have you joined ZINIO yet? Zinio is the online eMagazine portal available to all Masterton Library cardholders that allows you to access and download digital editions of magazines. The scope of subjects covered ranges from **Inked**, a US lifestyle magazine for those who enjoy tattoo art, to **RV Travel Lifestyle**, a NZ published travel magazine with a focus on the interests and needs of motor-home or caravan owners. Thanks to a recent donation by W.F. Howes (a UK -based publisher of audiobooks, digital services and print), we now have nine new magazine titles available for you. These titles are: **Creating an Organic Garden**, **Decanter World Wine Awards 2015**, **Decanter New Zealand 2011**, **Save Our Seas**, **Your Family Tree Presents: Military Family History**, **CCO Magazine**, **Tulsa Book Review**, **The Red Bulletin US**, and **Drew League**. Some of these publications are 'one-offs' but others are regular series and are a welcome expansion to our collection. Signing up to Zinio is a relatively simple process. The link is on the Masterton Library website - just ask a member of staff if you would like some help or advice.

Book Club is back.



Following a brief hiatus over the Christmas break, Masterton Library's Book Club will be holding its' first meeting of the year on Monday the 18th of January. Masterton Library's Book Club is not a formal book club that discusses a set text, but a more casual gathering where people talk about the books they are reading over a shared cup of tea or coffee. It is a great way to get recommendations for authors or books you might enjoy and have a chat with fellow book enthusiasts. New attendees are always welcome and the Masterton Library Book Club meets in the Library at 1:00pm on the fourth Monday of each month (January's meeting is a week early owing to the 25th being Anniversary Weekend). We do also have Book Club sets available for anyone wanting to run a more structured book club group where everyone reads the same book.

From The Wairarapa Archive

Wairarapa Archive staff have been hard at work as part of a project for better signage at Masterton's Pioneer Cemetery. In conjunction with members of the Council's Parks and recreation staff, two German interns and members of a community group concerned with cemetery preservation, the staff have been researching those buried in the oldest part of the Masterton Cemetery.

It was used as the town's burial ground from 1856, but official records only started to be kept from 1879, so archivists have been searching through old church records and newspapers to find the names of those whose burials pre-date the burial records.

Among those buried before the registers started are the founder of Masterton, Joseph Masters, whose gravestone carries incorrect information about his date of death, and that of other family members; Richard Collins, whose farm at Te Ore Ore pre-dated the establishment of Masterton, and Charles Dixon, whose name is recalled in Dixon Street.

There are also the unmarked (and unlocatable) graves of two men whose identity is unknown. One died in the Ruamahanga River in 1869, the other in a Masterton boarding house, and neither had any means of identification on them.



Lyndon 2012

What's on in the Library

(and the wider Wairarapa)

Zappo the Magician
Masterton District Library
Wed. 6 Jan. 1:00pm

Grafia R'nB Review "Band on the Rum"
King Street Live, Masterton
Fri. 8 Jan. 8:00pm

Wairarapa Country Music Festival
Tauherenikau Racecourse
Fri. 8 Jan. - Sun. 10 Jan.

Wairarapa Farmers Market
4 Queen Street Masterton
Sat. 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th Jan. 9:00am

Mary Kippenberger - Storyteller
Masterton District Library
Fri. 15 Jan. 10:30am

Radius - The Big Picture album release tour.
King Street Live, Masterton
Fri. 15 Jan. 8:00pm

Masterton Library Book Club
Masterton District Library
Mon. 18 Jan. 1:00pm

Huri Huri: Wairarapa's Bike Festival
Various locations throughout the Wairarapa
Wed. 20 Jan - Mon. 25 Jan.

Summer Reading Programme Finale
Masterton District Library
Fri. 22 Jan.

Fat Freddy's Drop
Luna Estate, Martinborough
Sun. 24 Jan. 5:00pm

Check the Library Noticeboard for more Wairarapa events.



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We have lunch vouchers from Taste Cafe next to the library and Ice Choc vouchers from Trocadero cafe. Plus many more prizes to be won this month! Be the first to know about events on in the library.

Featured Author: Paul Cleave

'A riveting and all too realistic thriller. Cleave is a writer to watch'

Tess Gerritsen

'Most people come back from New Zealand talking about the breathtaking scenery and the amazing experiences. I came back raving about Paul Cleave. These are stories that you won't forget in a while: relentlessly gripping, deliciously twisted and shot through with a vein of humour that's as dark as hell.'

Mark Billingham

Paul Cleave is a New Zealand author with a growing reputation for creating tense, gripping thrillers. His first novel ***The Cleaner*** was published in 2006 and became an international hit, selling more than 500,000 copies. He has gone on to write another eight novels, been translated into over a dozen languages, and earned numerous awards including Saint-Maur book festival's crime novel of the year in France, and the 2015 Ngaio Marsh Award for ***Five Minutes Alone***.

Cleave was born in Christchurch in 1974 and still spends much of his time in the Garden City. All of his novels have in fact been set in Christchurch, but it is an exaggerated view of the city to suit the needs of his novels. Paul writes on his website, "Christchurch is a fantastic city, I love living here, and I don't see it in the dark way I write about it... Does Christchurch have a dark underbelly? Yes. Is it as bad in real life as in the books? No. But it is the perfect backdrop

for my characters to live and play in. I tend to think of Christchurch as a character these days, helping to tie all the books together".

Cleaves' most recent work, ***Trust No One***, has been receiving very positive reviews and was selected amongst 2015's 100 best books by the NZ Listener. In this exciting psychological thriller a famous crime writer struggles to differentiate between his own reality and the frightening plot lines he's created for the page. As his dementia begins to break down the wall between his life and the lives of the characters, Jerry Grey confesses his worst secret: The stories are real. Those close to him, insist that it is all in his head, that his memory is being toyed with and manipulated by his unfortunate disease. But if that were true, then why are so many bad things happening? Why are people dying?



Top Graphic Fiction for 2015

Below are the 10 most-reserved Graphic Novels for 2015. A notable feature of the list is the presence of four Ms. Marvel titles in the top 10. Ms. Marvel first appeared in 1968 but it is her latest incarnation as Kamla Khan, a Pakistani-American and Marvel Comics first Muslim character to headline a series, that is gaining such attention today.

- 1. Ms. Marvel. Vol. 1, No Normal.**
G. Willow Wilson
- 2. Sam Zabel and the Magic Pen.**
Dylan Horrocks
- 3. Ms. Marvel. Vol. 2, Generation Why.**
G. Willow Wilson
- 4. Justice League of America. Vol. 1, World's most dangerous.**
Geoff Johns
- 5. Ms. Marvel. Vol. 3, Crushed.**
G. Willow Wilson
- 6. Saga. Vol. 2.**
Brian K. Vaughan
- 7. The Walking Dead. Vol. 20, All out war, Part 1.**
Robert Kirkman
- 8. Lumberjanes. Vol. 1, Beware the kitten Holly.**
Noelle Stevenson & Grace Ellis
- 9. The Walking Dead. Vol. 21, All out War, Part 2.**
Robert Kirkman
- 10. Ms. Marvel. Vol. 4, Last Days**
G. Willow Wilson



Happy Endings

Below are the concluding sentences to 10 well known novels: **The Kite Runner** by Khaled Hosseini; **The Corrections** by Jonathan Franzen; **Bridget Jones's Diary** by Helen Fielding; **The Return of the King** by J.R.R. Tolkien; **Gone With the Wind** by Margaret Mitchell; **Life of Pi** by Yann Martel; **The Hound of the Baskervilles** by Arthur Conan Doyle; **Brokeback Mountain** by Annie Proulx; **Animal Farm** by George Orwell; **A Tale of Two Cities** by Charles Dickens. Can you match them to the correct book? Answers on Pg.12

1. After all, tomorrow is another day.

2. The creatures outside looked from pig to man, and from man to pig, and from pig to man again; but already it was impossible to say which was which.

3. Very few castaways can claim to have survived so long at sea as Mr. Patel, and none in the company of an adult Bengal tiger.

4. It is a far, far better thing that I do, than I have ever done; it is a far, far better rest that I go to than I have ever known.

5. There was some open space between what he knew and what he tried to believe, but nothing could be done about it, and if you can't fix it, you've got to stand it.

6. I ran with the wind blowing in my face, and a smile as wide as the valley of Panjsher on my lips. I ran.

7. An excellent year's progress.

8. Might I trouble you then to be ready in half an hour, and we can stop at Marcini's for a little dinner on the way?

9. She was seventy-five and she was going to make some changes in her life.

10. And he went on, and there was yellow light, and fire within; and the evening meal was ready, and he was expected. And Rose drew him in, and set him in his chair, and put little Elanor upon his lap. He drew a deep breath. 'Well, I'm back,' he said.

Meet the Masterton Makercrate

Makercrate, a re-purposed 20 foot long shipping container filled with fabrication technology, is now in position beside the Masterton Library. Makercrate, an extension of the Fab Lab franchise that will open in the Wairarapa Times Age building later this year, offers members of the public access to devices such as 3-D printers, laser cutters and other high-tech manufacturing technology. The container will be operating for somewhere between six and twelve months and can be accessed from 10:00am and 12:00pm each day the Library is open, Monday to Friday.

Makercrate is a part of a global 'maker movement', generally credited with being founded at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in the 1990s, which aims to allow open access to fabrication technology and education. The Makercrate and Fab Lab initiatives are designed to provide the general public with access to technology that may not ordinarily be

available to them. The hope is that once they become familiar with what the technology can do, they will be inspired to see how it can be applied to their business, or come up with completely new ideas.

All are welcome to pop in and have a look at the technology in action and get some information on its capabilities. We are anticipating quite a few children to visit during the school holidays and we will be hosting school visits once term time begins. Angela McDonald and Paul Greville from the Library's Digital Services team have been heavily involved in the setting up of the Masterton Makercrate and are both really excited by the opportunities it can provide. If you have any questions about the Makercrate talk with Angela or Paul, there only too happy to share their enthusiasm for this fantastic initiative.

Below are images of the outside of the Makercrate, and the technology contained within. The image on the right shows a 3-D printer creating a replica of the Millennium Falcon from Star Wars.



Happy Endings (Answers): 1. Gone With the Wind; 2. Animal Farm; 3. Life of Pi; 4. A Tale of Two Cities; 5. Brokeback Mountain; 6. The Kite Runner; 7. Bridget Jones's Diary; 8. The Hound of the Baskervilles; 9. The Corrections; 10. The Return of the King.