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From our library



We hope that you are enjoying the clean, bright and tidy environment in the Library, now that the refurbishment is nearly complete. We are aware that there are some things that still need to be completed, particularly signage, but we need to wait until the new financial year to be able to get this sorted.

Very soon you will notice that there are books on the shelves that have different labels on them. This is because we will be receiving most of our items fully processed and ready for the shelves. Most libraries now receive their books shelf ready. It is both cost effective and enables librarians to spend more time doing what they have been trained to do. This is what we like doing most, serving our customers and assisting them with their reading pathways, whatever they might be.

Librarians spend a lot of their time choosing books, checking that the catalogue has all the information necessary for you, and of course the librarians themselves, to be able to find items and, keeping the shelves in good order. We want to be like any good business and maximize the benefit from all the work we do, which means that we want you to be able to access what you want to read or to be able to get advice and information for your leisure reading and knowledge needs.

Our Facebook page is proving very popular and we want the posts to appeal to our customers as well as being useful for advising you of our events, new books etc. Take a look and 'like' us to be updated on our activities.

Placing a reserve is a way to ensure that you do not need to wait for a popular book to appear on our

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Yarning in the library



Embroiderers, quilters, knitters, lace makers, crocheters and all other fibre and yarn related crafters are invited to come to our midwinter meeting on June 15.

We are almost at the shortest day of the year and the weather is just perfect for settling in with your handwork and sharing ideas, tips and obsessions with other like-minded people. A crafty staffer will talk about the books, especially new ones, and give some hints on how to find that perfect book or website to help you out of your crafty dilemma. 1pm Monday June 15

shelves. Reserves are free, across the 600,000 items on the SMART catalogue, and very often there are many copies of the books and you will not wait for long for a copy to be available. SMART Libraries also have an agreement to hold a copy for every 6 reserves by their customers. The higher the reserve numbers the more copies we purchase. An example for this is the very popular 'The girl on the train' by Paula Hawkins, currently there are 197 reserves and SMART holds 37 copies, 1 copy for every 5.3 reserves. When you find a book that you want to read, check the catalogue, as we often have popular titles on order before they are published and you can place a reserve or talk to the staff to have your reserve recorded as a request if it

Seniors Celebrate

Seniors Celebrate is presented at 2.pm on the 4th Tuesday of each month. The next three dates are:

June 23rd, July 28th and August 25th

Details for our June speaker coming soon...

In coming months we will present

***Madeleine Slavick* – an Wairarapa based poet and artist who has also worked for UNICEF and Oxfam**

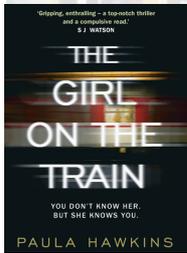
***Christina McTaggart* – who was born in a Japanese resettlement camp during WWII and will tell us about her family's ordeal in those times.**

Look out for further details.

is not on the catalogue. Sometimes we have items on order up to 12 months ahead of their publication date. Winter has come early which means that the winter reading demand has also started early this year. Remember that we have no limit on the items you can borrow to satisfy your reading needs and if you are homebound or very unwell and unable to access the library for an extended time and want us to select some books for you and deliver them to you, please call and ask for Thea our Homebound Librarian.

Sandy Green
Library Manager

Top 10 Fiction Titles for MAY - RESERVE TODAY



#1 THE GIRL ON THE TRAIN

by Paula Hawkins

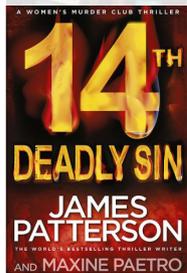
A psychological thriller set in London.



2 ALL THE LIGHT WE CANNOT SEE

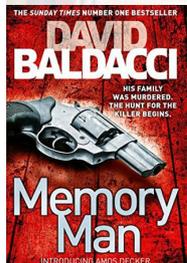
by Anthony Doerr

The lives of a blind French girl and a gadget-obsessed German boy before and during World War II.



3 14th DEADLY SIN

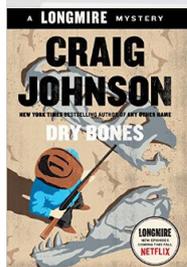
by James Patterson and Maxine Paetro
A video of a shocking crime surfaces, casting suspicion on a San Francisco detective's colleagues.



4 MEMORY MAN

by David Baldacci

A police detective uses his extraordinary memory when tackling the case of his family's murder.



5 DRY BONES

by Craig Johnson

Sheriff Walt Longmire of Absaroka County, Wyo., investigates the death of a Cheyenne rancher on whose property a valuable dinosaur skeleton was found. The basis of the series "Longmire."

#6 GATHERING PREY

by John Sandford

In the 25th installment of the Prey series, Lucas Davenport is on the trail of killers who have targeted a group of vagabonds called the Travelers.

#7 A GOD IN RUINS

by Kate Atkinson

Postwar Britain as seen through the members of a well-to-do family.

8 THE FORGOTTEN ROOM

by Lincoln Child

Probing a death, the "enigmatologist" Jeremy Logan discovers a hidden room at a Newport estate where a dangerous experiment took place. A sequel to "The Third Gate."

9 THE NIGHTINGALE

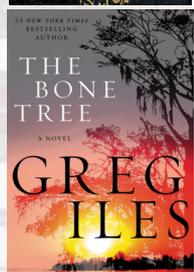
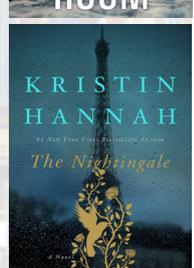
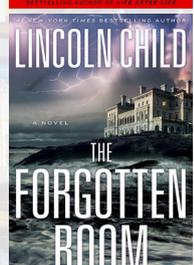
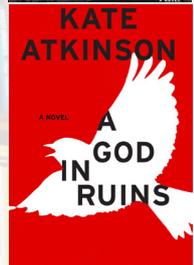
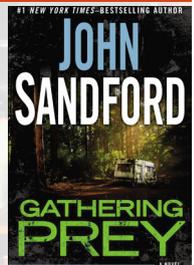
by Kristin Hannah

Two sisters in World War II France: one struggling to survive in the countryside, the other joining the Resistance in Paris.

10 THE BONE TREE

by Greg Iles

In the second book of a trilogy, following "Natchez Burning," the prosecutor Penn Cage's comes up against the K.K.K. As seen in *New York Times*



Book 4 of Stieg Larsson's Millennium Series Available to Reserve NOW

The Girl in the Spider's Web

A Lisbeth Salander Novel

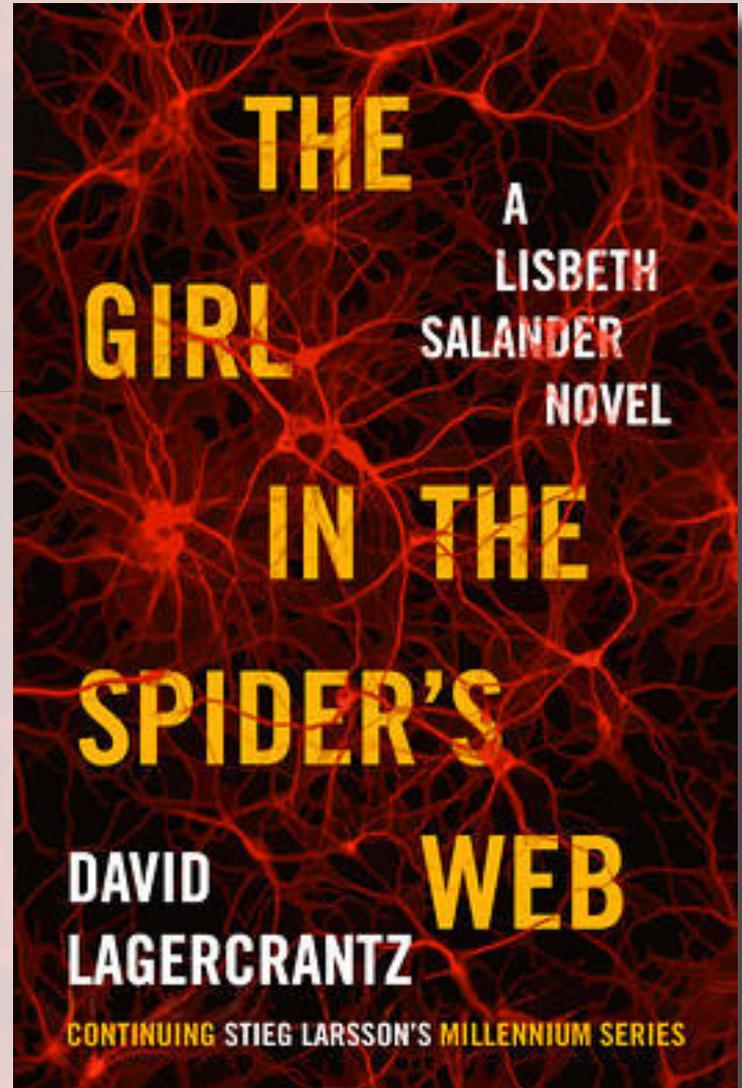
This September, Lisbeth Salander and Mikael Blomkvist return in the highly anticipated follow-up to Stieg Larsson's THE GIRL WHO KICKED THE HORNET'S NEST

In this adrenaline-charged thriller, genius-hacker Lisbeth Salander and journalist Mikael Blomkvist face a dangerous new threat and must again join forces.

Late one night, Blomkvist receives a phone call from a trusted source claiming to have information vital to the United States. The source has been in contact with a young female super hacker—a hacker resembling someone Blomkvist knows all too well. The implications are staggering.

Blomkvist, in desperate need of a scoop for Millennium, turns to Lisbeth for help. She, as usual, has her own agenda. In The Girl in the Spider's Web, the duo who thrilled 80 million readers in The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo, The Girl Who Played with Fire, and The Girl Who Kicked the Hornet's Nest meet again in an extraordinary and uniquely of-the-moment thriller.

This book is available to reserve! Go to www.library.mstn.govt.nz and search The Girl In The Spider's Web and click on place a reservation!



From Wairarapa Archive

The Archive has been fielding many World War One-related enquiries in this centennial commemoration period. Many people are now curious about what their



New Zealand military ancestors did during the war. Sometimes there are old family stories to be tested against the evidence now available.

We have been helping people to identify soldiers by using the Cenotaph database, out of the Auckland War Memorial Museum. It's very useful to know the service number

Norman Prior about to evacuate from Gallipoli

(regimental number) of a soldier – each number is unique.

Using a soldier's number, it is easy to find his military record, now digitised by Archives New Zealand. This shows, in some detail, how long a soldier served, and where he was posted. It shows promotions, medical records and sometimes, when a soldier got into trouble with the army!

We can also help people understand

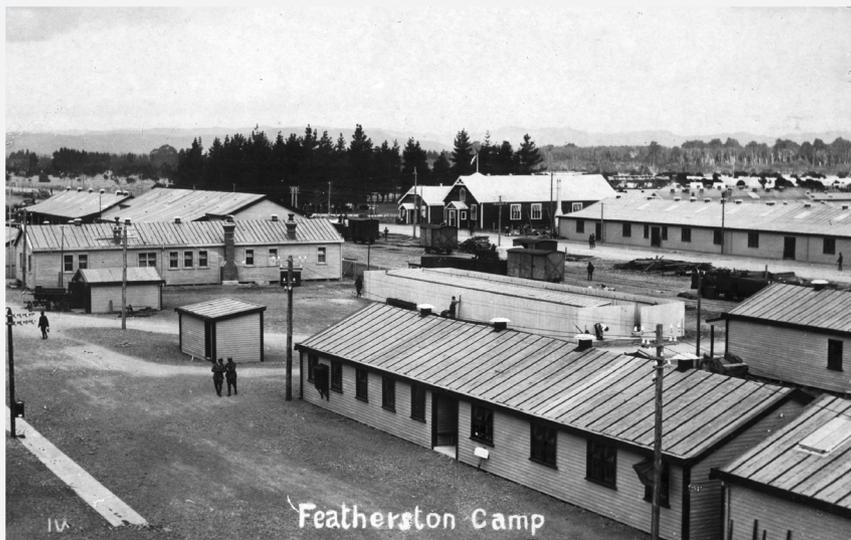
Neil Frances - Wairarapa Archive

military service records, which use terms not understood in civilian life.

Wairarapa Archive is also working with Aratoi on two forthcoming exhibitions.

In August, an exhibition on the military life of Dr Norman Prior will open. Norman was a Masterton GP who served in the army from 1915-1918. He was a regimental doctor and also worked at No.1 N.Z. General Hospital at Brockenhurst in England.

Early in 2016 a major exhibition on Featherston Military Training Camp will open on the centenary of the camp's opening. This will celebrate a Wairarapa and New Zealand war story, as over 60,000 men trained for service in World War One in our district.



Featherston Camp soon after opening in January 1916

June is... Matariki - Māori New Year

The heavens

Matariki is the Māori name for the small cluster of stars also known as the Pleiades or the Seven Sisters, in the Taurus constellation. In New Zealand it comes into view low on the north-eastern horizon, appearing in the tail of the Milky Way in the last days of May or in early June, just before dawn. This heralds the Māori New Year.



Legends

Matariki literally means the 'eyes of god' (mata ariki) or 'little eyes' (mata riki). Some say that when Ranginui, the sky father, and Papatūānuku, the earth mother, were separated by their offspring, the god of the winds, Tāwhirimātea, became angry, tearing out his eyes and hurling them into the heavens. Others say Matariki is the mother surrounded by her

Various Māori tribes celebrated Matariki at different times. Some held festivities when Matariki was first seen in the dawn sky; others celebrated after the full moon rose or at the beginning of the next new moon.

For all tribes, the importance of Matariki has been captured in proverbs and songs, which link it with the bright star Whānui (Vega):

Ka puta Matariki ka rere Whānui.

Ko te tohu tēnā o te tau e!

Matariki re-appears, Whānui starts its flight.

Being the sign of the [new] year!

Matariki is also associated with the winter solstice. It appears when the sun, drifting north on the shortest day in winter, reaches the north-eastern end of the horizon. The sun then turns around and begins its journey south.

six daughters, Tupu-ā-nuku, Tupu-ā-rangi, Waitī, Waitā, Waipuna-ā-rangi and Ururangi. One account explains that Matariki and her daughters appear to assist the sun, Te Rā, whose winter journey from the north has left him weakened.

Matariki and Puanga

Some Māori tribes believed that it was the rising of the star Puanga (Rigel in Orion) which heralded the new year, not Matariki. Hence the saying: 'Puanga kai rau' (Puanga of abundant food). This divergence was explained to the scholar Elsdon Best by a Māori elder: 'The task of Puanga is to strive with Matariki (the Pleiades) that he may gain possession of the year.'

Traditionally, Māori were keen observers of the night sky, determining from the stars the time and seasons, and using them to navigate the oceans. Lookouts would watch for the rise of Matariki just before dawn. For Māori, this time signified remembrance, fertility and celebration.

What's on in the Wairarapa and beyond

Story telling Guided Tours

Stonehenge Aotearoa, 51 Ahiruhe Rd Carterton
Saturdays & Sundays, 11:00am - 12:30pm
Tickets: 0800 BUY TIX (289 849)

Wairarapa Farmers' Market

4 Queen Street Masterton
Saturdays 9:00am - 1:00pm

Carterton Farmers' Market

Next to Memorial Square, Carterton
Sundays 9:00am - 12:30pm

Bike Skills 101

Masterton Intermediate School, Masterton
Saturday 6 June - 11.00am

African Drum & Dance Workshop

West Taratahi Hall, Chester Road, Cardterton
Saturday June 6, 11.00am - 4.30pm
www.jennifermoss.co.nz for information

Winter-Warmers Registration Starts

Masterton District Library, from 10:00am

Lunch of Nepal - A fundraiser

The Farriers Bar & Eatery, 4 Queen Street Masterton
Friday June 12, 12:00pm - 2:00pm
Tickets limited, from Masterton i-Site

Black Tie Burlesque - Winter Warmer Masquerade

King Street Live, Masterton
R18. No Mask No Entry! Saturday June 13, 8:pm

Supertonic Presents 'The Prisoner Rises'

St Lukes Church, Masterton
Sunday June 14, 2:30pm

Wairarapa Country Music Club - Special Club Day

YMCA, 371 Queen Street, Masterton
Sunday June 14, 12:30 - 3:30pm

Murder Mystery Dinner

Harlequin Theatre, 152 Dixon St, Masterton
Thurs 18, and Fri 19 June. 7.30:pm
Tickets: 0508-484-253

Midwinter Affair - Night Market

Martinborough Square, Martinborough
Saturday 20 June 3:00pm - 7:00pm

Viewing the Winter Solstice

Stonehenge Aotearoa, 51 Ahiruhe Rd, Carterton
Saturday 20 June 4:30pm - 7:00pm

Matariki Wairarapa

Celtic Grounds (Marist), Masterton
Friday July 3rd. Free Entry

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American Wife:

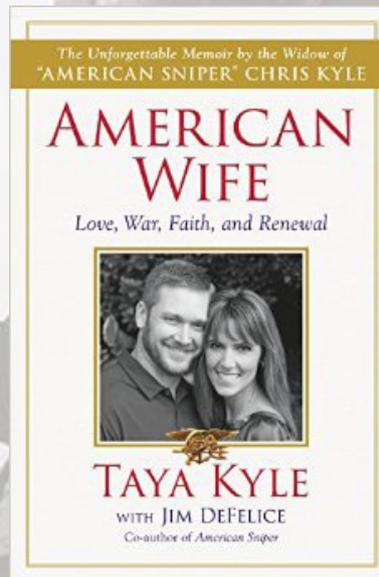
A Memoir of Love, War, Faith, and Renewal

The widow of "American Sniper" Chris Kyle shares their private story: an unforgettable testament to the power of love and faith in the face of war and unimaginable loss—and a moving tribute to a man whose true heroism ran even deeper than the legend

In early 2013, Taya Kyle and her husband Chris were the happiest they ever had been. Their decade-long marriage had survived years of war that took Chris, a U.S. Navy SEAL, away from Taya and their two children for agonizingly long stretches while he put his life on the line in many major battles of the Iraq War. After struggling to readjust to life out of the military, Chris had found new purpose in redirecting his lifelong dedication to service to supporting veterans and their families. Their love had deepened, and, most special of all, their family was whole, finally.

Then, the unthinkable. On February 2, 2013, Chris and his friend Chad Littlefield were killed while attempting to help a troubled veteran. The life Chris and Taya fought so hard to build together was shattered. In an instant, Taya became a single parent of two. A widow. A young woman facing the rest of her life without the man she loved.

Chris and Taya's remarkable story has captivated millions through Clint Eastwood's blockbuster, Academy Award-winning film *American Sniper*, starring Bradley Cooper as Chris and Sienna Miller as Taya, and because



of Chris's bestselling memoir, in which Taya contributed passages that formed the book's emotional core. Now, with trusted collaborator Jim DeFelice, Taya writes in never-before-told detail about the hours, days, and months after his shocking death when grief threatened to overwhelm her. Then there were wearying battles to protect her husband's legacy and reputation.

And yet throughout, friendship, family, and a deepening faith were lifelines that sustained her and the kids when the sorrow became too much. Two years after her husband's tragic death, Taya has found renewed meaning and connection to Chris by advancing their shared mission of "serving those who serve others," particularly military and first-responder families. She and the children now are embracing a new future, one that honors the past but also looks forward with hope, gratitude, and joy.

American Wife is one of the most remarkable memoirs of the year -- a universal chronicle of love and heartbreak, service and sacrifice, faith and purpose that will inspire every reader.

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 Ngā Kaitiaki a Tama! Kawata Teppa
 WEARABLE ?Ondrea Firi Colston
 FM A LITTLE ANGEL
 TODAY A READER, TOMORROW A LEADER. — MARGARET FULLER



LIANZA Hell's Pizza Challenge!

Read 7 books to fill the pizza wheel to receive your free Hell's Pizza.

One book must be a LIANZA Book Award winning book, from any year. After reading each book you give it a rating. Suitable for primary school age children. Come along to Masterton District Library for information and to register. Registrations start on the 4th of June 2015 and the challenge runs through to 4th of December 2015. Offer applies to pick up pizza only.

CALLING ALL 10 - 13 YEAR OLDS **A**
 come along to our book club! The first wednesday night
 of the month! Next meet on Wednesday the 3rd June 5.30-6.30
 Masterton Library

Library prescribes: Winter Warmers to avoid cabin fever.

It's officially Winter and while the prospect of short days, cold nights, and even colder mornings is not a pleasant one, the Winter Warmers reading programme at Masterton District Library should provide some relief for children and their caregivers. Winter Warmers runs for six weeks from the 22nd of June to the 31st of July, and registrations are being taken at Masterton from Monday the 8th of June. This year's programme is based on a wildlife tour of Aotearoa, tracking an elusive Moa from the Deep South to the Far North, and meeting seals, dolphins, gannets and other native creatures along the way.

Children enrolled in Winter Warmers receive a booklet in which they write or draw about library books they have read. This can include book reviews, drawings of favourite scenes or characters, or designs for a different cover – the choice is up to the kids. They show their completed pages to library staff and receive a sticker for each one to track their progress. When they have filled in five pages they receive a prize and an invite to our Winter Warmers finale. There are five more pages

Jon Adams - Masterton District Library

to complete and children who finish these can earn themselves another prize.

Winter Warmers is designed to provide kids with some fun, indoor activities, especially suited to those days when the weather is not co-operating and cabin fever is imminent. It is also deliberately timed to include the school holidays and give children another option for filling the holiday break. As a part of this, Winter Warmers includes a touring performer, and this year we are delighted to be hosting a puppet show from String Bean Puppets who will be appearing at Masterton Library on Tuesday the 7th of July at 1:00pm.

Winter Warmers is available to all pre-school, primary, and intermediate aged children and participation is completely free thanks to the sponsorship of the Eastern and Central Community Trust. This is the ninth year Masterton Library has hosted Winter Warmers and past years have proved very popular - so make sure to secure a place as numbers are limited. Winter Warmers is offered at all the public libraries in the Wairarapa – check with your local library for registration details.

FROM THE NET

Overdue Library book returned from 1934

The Chicago Public Library was reunited with a book so many years overdue no one even realized it was missing from its shelves.

In the midst of a rare, three-week amnesty program – where the USA’s third-largest city’s library system is forgiving fines for any overdue items that are returned to them – the library received a limited edition copy of Oscar Wilde’s classic “The Picture of Dorian Gray,” Reuters reports.

The literary treasure was last checked out in 1934.

According to the Chicago Tribune, Harlean Hoffman Vision had put off returning the book due to the hefty fines -- or even jail time -- she feared she could face.

Vision told the Tribune that her mother, Sylvia Hoffman, had somehow obtained the book from a childhood friend. Vision had discovered the book, one

of only 480 special-edition copies printed by London’s Edinburgh Society, in her mother’s attic after her death in 1993.

Chicago Public Library Commissioner Brian Bannon told CBS Chicago that Vision brought in the book because of the amnesty program. They were happy to get both the book – as well as Vision herself – back.

“This is as much about getting patrons back as it is about getting materials back,” Bannon told the station of the program.

How much would Vision have owed without the amnesty (or the library’s \$10 cap on overdue fines for books)? - \$6,000, according to Reuters.

Earlier this year, an 80-years-overdue book was returned to a library in the Republic of Ireland. The book had chalked up more than \$5,000 in late fees, which the library opted to waive.



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