



the Word

What's on at your Library

Bassendean Memorial Public Library Newsletter

Issue 119
June 2022

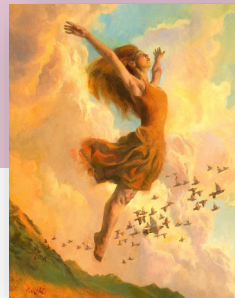
A VERY SPECIAL BIRTHDAY!



On 1st July 2022 we will be celebrating 50 years of the Bassendean Memorial Library - a fantastic milestone! To commemorate this event we have several activities planned, make sure you check in the Library, on our website, and on our social media to stay updated on this exciting celebration.



A Lunchtime Interlude
La Joie De Vivre -
the art of flourishing.



Bassendean Memorial Library. Meeting room 1

Thursday 23 June 2022
1.00pm - 3.00pm

Please book via the following link or QR code

www.trybooking.com/BZMZT

An adult only event.



Talking History @
Bassendean Memorial Library

NAIDOC

Listen and learn to some words from local song
Wanjoo by Gina Williams.
Listen to some recently recorded
local Aboriginal oral histories online.

Friday 1 July 2022

10.30am - 11.30am



Sign up for our monthly talks via the booking sheet at
our Information desk.

All events/sessions will adhere to current government health mandates.
Time and date were correct when posted but may be subject to change.

Thank you.

3 June - Talking History @
Bassendean Memorial Library
10.30am - 11.30am
Meeting Room 2

23 June - Lunchtime Interlude -
La Joie De Vivre - the art of
flourishing.
1.30pm - 3.00pm, Meeting room 1

27 June - LEGO league.
Ages 5 - 12. 4.00pm to 5.00pm

30 June - Robotics - STEM
comes alive!
Ages 7 - 12. 4.00pm to 5.00pm

Craft group; every Friday.
9.00am - 12.00 noon
Meeting room 1

Mahjong - every Tuesday
12.30pm - 2.30pm
6.00pm - 7.30pm

ESL classes; every Monday -
Beginners 5.00pm
Intermediate 5.30pm

Rhymetime; every Wednesday
11.00 am.

Storytime; every Thursday -
10.30am.

Justice of the Peace - Available
for the first 3 Wednesdays of
each month. 10.00am - 11.30am
Also on the first and third
Saturday of each month
9.15am - 11.00am

Watch This Space...

We are excited to share that soon our Library patrons will be able to access audiobooks, eBooks, comics, movies, TV, magazines, and music through the service **Hoopla**. This service will be available very soon, keep an eye on our social media and in the Library when you visit.



New DVDs

Movies

The divine fury
The wedding speech
Belfast



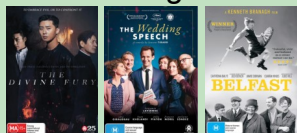
TV Series

The Virginian
The rider
Wild Bill Hickok

Thunder over the plains

Non fiction

Gods and goddesses



Mystery Road :
series 2
The Spanish
princess : the
complete series
The sounds :
series one

Junior

Matilda

Russellcroft Memorial Library invites you to help build our collection by telling us what you want to read, watch and listen to. You can suggest authors, titles and/or subjects.

I recommend

Book _____ **Book Request**

Audio _____

DVD _____

Name (optional) _____

Your Suggestions Please!

We're inviting you to help build our DVD collection by telling us what you want to watch. Look for the forms at our information desk, fill it in and post in our Library Post Box. Remember to include your name so we can reserve it to you.

DVD Review



King Richard

Will Smith stars as Richard Williams, the father and coach of famous tennis players Venus and Serena Williams. The movie follows the journey of the girls, as their father has a vision for their futures and uses unconventional methods to achieve that dream.

This movie has won many awards and is definitely worth watching. It is an entertaining sports drama that focuses on a father who is determined his daughters will succeed.

- KO

New Books

Check the Library website for New Titles in Stock, updated weekly.

Fiction

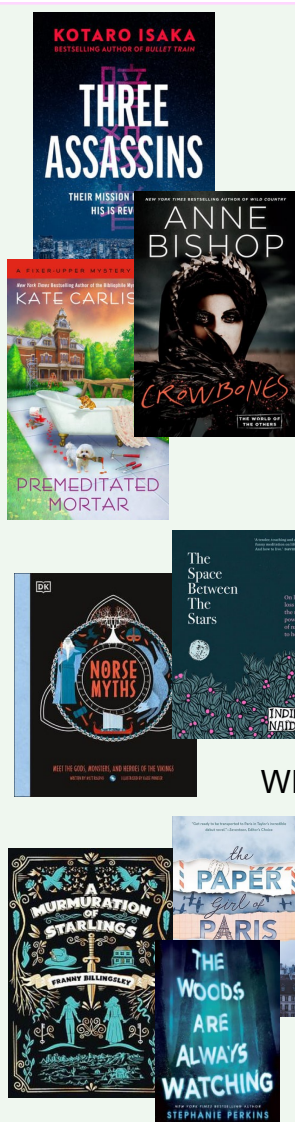
Premeditated mortar / Kate Carlisle
The queen's accomplice / Susan Elia MacNeal
The deadly mystery of the missing diamonds / T E Kinsey
Three assassins / Kotaro Isaka
The broken spine / Dorothy St. James
Crowbones / Anne Bishop
Songs in ursa major / Emma Brodie
Mad about you / Mhairi McFarlane
The lessons / John Purcell
The good left undone / Adriana Trigiani

Non Fiction

Axel Vervoordt : timeless interiors / Armelle Baron
Nina Campbell interior decoration / Giles Kime
The space between the stars / Indra Naidoo
When Harry met Minnie / Martha Teichner
Norse myths / Matt Ralphs

Young Adult Fiction

The paper girl of Paris / Jordyn Taylor
The other side of perfect / Mariko Turk
The woods are always watching / Stephanie Perkins
A murmuration of starlings / Franny Billingsley



The Last of the Apple Blossom by Mary-Lou Stephens. (2021).

7 February, 1967. Walls of flame reduce much of Tasmania to ash. Young schoolteacher Catherine rushes to the Huon Valley to find her family's apple orchard destroyed, her childhood home in ruins and her brother dead. She wants to rebuild the family business and run the orchard, but her father isn't keen. Catherine's friend and neighbour Annie finally has a daughter after 5 sons. She and her husband Dave work to repair their orchard, with the help of Dave's friend Mark. Mark is currently living with them, as his son Charlie, after his wife Lara has disappeared; Annie wants him gone. Catherine becomes fond of Charlie, but her growing friendship with Mark scandalises the small community...

This book is the author's debut fiction novel and to put it simply, it's excellent. The story begins with tense descriptions of a massive fire burning, which sounded terrifying and is even more scarier knowing it was a true event. The narrative follows the after effects of said fire and explores natural disasters, personal domestic dramas, and the collapse of the apple industry in Tasmania. The book is set from two female perspectives: neighbours Catherine and Annie. Both women experience loss in different ways and are courageous in trying to protect their loved ones. It made for very compelling and at times emotional reading.

BG

Local Studies Collection

Centenary of the Suburb's Name Change - West Guildford to Bassendean.

Many of Perth suburb's have had a name change, usually to disassociate themselves from crime or corruption. In 1915, the local press suggested five alternative suburb names proposed as a way of expressing local identity and after 1918 when the West Guildford Road Board was abolished and replaced with a commissioner, it was an opportunity to have a "fresh start."



Who was Hon. Peter Broun? Why is the suburb named for his ancestral estate in Scotland on the border of Berwickshire?

"Since the district's first formation into a road board authority, residents had intermittently complained about the unsuitability of such a thriving town being suborned to what was seen as a "has been" centre. In January [1922] a deputation convened to promote the name change called upon the Road Board and several speakers put the official point of view....Having reached unanimous agreement, the Road Board and the deputation remained undecided over what the district's new name should be.

Several proposals were put forward among them Stirling, Bassendean and Mandoon... but the Chairman ruled that decisions of this kind were too important to be made arbitrarily and that the matter be put to the residents at a later date. Predictably, the next meeting was visited by a deputation of those who were against the idea of changing the district's name. ...

A public meeting was held in April, the proposal was barely passed by a narrow margin of 241 votes to 214. However the Road Board duly declared its commitment to the scheme and the next few meetings were agreeably spent in mild bickering as to the final choice of name.

It was eventually decided to run a competition among the local primary school children and make a decision on the basis of their entries...twelve names were selected, the most popular contender being Bassendean which was chosen on the erroneous assumption that Peter Broun's estate was the earliest farm in the area...

In July 1922, on the anniversary of the formation of the Road Board, Bassendean was officially gazetted as the new name for the flourishing district.



Bassendean : A Social History 1829-1979 by Jennie Carter pp. 117-120.

Children who received prize money for winning the naming competition were Clare Drysdale (Convent) and Sylvia Sharman (West Guildford Primary School). In 1975 Mrs Sylvia Peters (nee Sharman) wrote to the Town of Bassendean about the name change and her win and enclosed a copy of the original letter she received from the West Guildford Road Board in 1922.

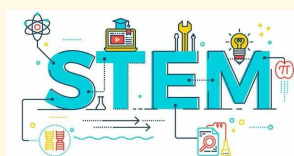
Children's Services

It's time to jump on board and do the

Premier's Reading Challenge!

The challenge is to log **12 or more** book titles from *May to 9 September 2022*. Sign up via the link below:

<https://www.premiersreadingchallenge.wa.edu.au/>



STEM stands for science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. STEM is important because it

pervades every part of our lives.

Our aim is to expose children to STEM giving them opportunities to explore the field and hopefully they will become budding scientists and engineers.

We have a permanent STEM display in our Children's Library for inspiration



at Bassendean Memorial Library

Please book via the following link or QR code.

www.trybooking.com/BXBDD



Book only for you child/children. Due to the nature of these sessions, they are not suitable for children under the required age.



Robotic Sessions at
Bassendean Memorial Library
STEM COMES ALIVE!

Please book via the following link or QR code.

www.trybooking.com/BWZMZ



Book only for you child/children. Due to the nature of these sessions, they are not suitable for children under the required age.

Rhymetime and Storytime

Rhymetime

Wednesday - 11.00am

www.trybooking.com/BXABK



Storytime

Thursday - 10.30am

www.trybooking.com/BXADJ



Notice Board



Have a fun night in!

We have a large selection of Adult and Junior board games available for a two week loan period.



Call today to make a free appointment with one of our friendly volunteers!
9279 2966



Mahjong
at
Bassendean Library

The group meets every Tuesday
12.30pm - 2.30pm
&
6.00pm - 7.30pm

Mahjong is a tile-based game that was developed in China during the Qing dynasty.

Sign up at the Library Information desk
call **9279 2966**

All sessions will adhere to current government health mandates. Time and date were correct when posted but may be subject to change.
Thank you.



Free English classes in the Library

Bassendean Memorial Library invites adults whose first language is not English to join our free English classes.

Our weekly sessions are run by an experienced ESL teacher on
Monday evenings.

5.00 pm - 5.30 pm for beginners

5.30 pm - 6.30 pm for Intermediate

Please reach out to your community and pass this information to friends, neighbours, and anyone who you feel may benefit from learning or improving their English.

Register your interest at the Library information desk or call us on
9279 2966.



Love to Read Local Week is a state-wide celebration of Western Australia's many wonderful writers and illustrators, and the books they create.

Visit this link online to discover ways you can celebrate and get involved in this initiative: <https://ltrl.writingwa.org/>

If you are in the Library, don't forget to check out our permanent display of items from Western Australia authors.



Click
&
Collect

Did you know that you can **Click and Collect?**

You can access our catalogue to reserve items online from the comfort of your home. No need to hunt them down on the shelves, just grab and go!

See our website for details

library.bassendean.wa.gov.au

Bassendean Memorial Public Library

46 Old Perth Road, Bassendean

Western Australia 6054

Phone: (08)9279 2966

Email: baslib@bassendean.wa.gov.au

library.bassendean.wa.gov.au



Opening Hours

Monday 9am - 6pm

Tuesday 9am - 8pm

Wednesday 9am - 6pm

Thursday 9am - 6pm

Friday 9am - 5.30pm

Saturday 9am - 1pm

Closed Sundays
and Public Holidays

The Town of Bassendean acknowledges the Nyoongar people as traditional owners of this land and their continuing connection to land and community.

We pay our respects to them, to their culture and to their Elders, past, present and emerging.