

NATIONAL SIMULTANEOUS STORYTIME

Wednesday 24 May at 10:15am

The Speedy Sloth

Join us for a special Storytime as we countdown the clock and read along with over one million children from around Australia.

Come dressed in your best running outfit for a GREAT RACE against our sloths, followed by a SPEEDY SLOTH craft activity and prizes.

Bookings essential.

NATIONAL FAMILIES WEEK

15 - 21 May: Living Real Dreaming Big | Supporting resilient families

A Family Is Like A Cake

Tuesday 16 May at 10:30am

Join us for a special storytime as we read 'A Family is Like a Cake' celebrating families in all of their different shapes and forms, followed by a lovely craft activity.

Bookings not required.

Mindful Practices for Resilient Families with Alma

Wednesday 17 May

5:45pm arrival for 6:00pm start

Resilient families are better able to face life's stresses and to adjust in healthy ways in challenges we may face.

Join Alma, Meditation Teacher, as she guides this family workshop focusing on movement, meditation and breathwork.

Suitable for children 7 and over and a parent/guardian.

Limited number of spaces - bookings essential.

MOTHER'S DAY CRAFT

Saturday 13 May 9:00am - 1:00pm

Sunday 14 May 10:00am - 2:00pm

Create a bouquet of paper flowers to take home for your mum or someone special, or perhaps add to our 'Wall of Love'.

Drop in session - bookings not required.

WRITERS GROUP MEETINGS

The following groups meet this month between 10:00am - 12:30pm, with all published or aspiring writers welcome:

Pathways to Publication - Sunday 7 May

Strong Women Writers Group - Sunday 14 May

All Welcome Mixed Group - Sunday 21 May

Writers of Children and Young Adult Books - Sunday 28 May

Bookings not required.

NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK

Living Book

with Uncle Ken Jones

Wednesday 31 May at 6:30pm

Uncle Ken Jones is a proud Boandik Elder, and 2019 & 2022 NAIDOC Male Elder of the Year. Join us on this personal insight into culture, family, care for country and an open discussion on how we can all be part of reconciliation for a better community and Australia.

Bookings essential.

AUTHOR EVENT

Victoria Purman - A Woman's Work

Thursday 11 May at 7:00pm

1956; Long before MasterChef, Australian women were cooking up a storm for their chance to win the equivalent of a year's salary in the extraordinary Australian Women's Weekly cookery contest. This is a story of how the competition offers two women the possibility of a new kind of future ...

Victoria Purman is the award-nominated bestselling author of other historical sagas: The Last of the Bonegilla Girls, Land Girls, The Women's Pages and The Nurses' War.

Books available for sale and signing on the night.

Bookings essential.



AUTHOR EVENT

Fiona Lowe - The Money Club

Wednesday 24 May at 7:00pm

The good life has its dark side ...

This is a gripping exploration of modern greed as bestselling Australian author Fiona Lowe unpicks the moral entanglement of those who trade on the bonds of their closest friendships and family for money ...

Books available for sale and signing on the night.

Bookings essential.



HISTORY MONTH

Past Present Wonder

Each May we host a program of events as we take part in South Australia's History Festival.

This year, sessions include:

- Family History for Beginners
- Lake Terrace Cemetery Night Tour / Day Tour
- TROVE Computer Lesson
- Nostalgia Nook: The Golden Age of Television
- Post War Working Camps Public Talk
- Local History Database Lesson
- CBD Story Walk for community / for schools

For a full program of events, scan the QR code.



IMPORTANT NOTICE

Library Sunday Hours

Please note that from Sunday 7 May our Sunday trading hours will be: **10:00am - 2:00pm** On a trial basis.

LIBRARY PODCAST

Don't Overdue It

Season 3 Episode 5 -

Titanic Survivor or Gigantic Liar?

In April of 1965, then Mount Gambier resident John Butler told his story to The Border Watch of not only surviving the sinking of the Titanic but his role of quartermaster and being put in charge of Lifeboat 7. However over time experts have questioned his story as much of his tale does not match up with official records or known events of the disaster. Join us for this episode as we explore Mr. Butler's tale and discuss whether he was a Titanic survivor or gigantic liar.

Free to download from most podcasting apps.

ART PLAY

Monday 8 May at 2:00pm

Join our local volunteer who will guide you through various techniques to create personalised labels or gift tags.

Bookings essential.

The Haven Mount Gambier

COFFEE AND A CHAT

With special guest

Trudi Shelton -

Four Reasons Why

Wednesday 31 May at 10:00am

From personal trauma and heartbreak, Trudi Shelton, single mother and founder of local charity 'Four Reasons Why', will talk about her journey in creating a kindness crusade, and the positive support and impact it has had for local families, and how you can receive help or give support.

Free event - bookings encouraged.

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ONE-ON-ONE IT HELP

Tuesdays 9:00am - 12:00pm

Fridays 9:00am - 12:00pm

Half hour sessions

Assisting with all enquiries from using the internet on your phone, setting up an email account, or paying bills online.

Free - bookings essential.

FREE COMPUTER LESSONS

Free basic lessons in a relaxed and friendly environment.

Connecting with Others

3 May at 10:00am

Using Facebook Messenger, Whatsapp and Zoom Discover how you can stay connected with friends and family using popular apps on your device.

Accessing Content and Entertainment on Your Mobile Device

10 May at 10:00am

Learn how to access free music, movies, podcasts, eBooks, eAudiobooks etc. on your device.

iPad/iPhone Hints and Tips

17 May at 10:00am

Discover some exciting tips and tricks to get the most out of your iPhone/iPad.

iPad/iPhone - Managing and Editing Your Photos

24 May at 10:00am

Discover how to manage and use basic photo editing tools on your iPad/iPhone.

Android Hints and Tips

31 May at 10:00am

Discover some exciting tips and tricks to get the most out of your Android device.

Free - bookings essential.

NEW TO THE LIBRARY SHELF

Simply Lies
David Baldacci
CRIME

The Bookbinder of Jericho
Pip Williams
GENERAL FICTION

The Pink House
Catherine Alliott
ROMANCE

Fire with Fire
Candice Fox
CRIME

Worthy Opponents
Danielle Steel
GENERAL FICTION

The Sister Effect
Susan Mallery
GENERAL FICTION

MAKERSPACE ACTIVITIES

3D Design, Scan and Print
Tuesdays 2:00pm - 5:00pm
No design skills necessary.
Volunteers will help you design, scan and print in 3D.
Gold coin for completed prints.

Wacom Digital Tablets
Tuesdays 2:00pm - 5:00pm
For drawing, sketching, writing and comic creation.

Crochet and Chat
Fridays 10:00am - 12:00pm
Local crochet group with new members welcome.

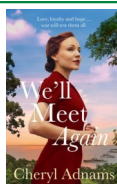
Bookings not required.

3D GIFT MAKING

Tuesday 9 May 2:00pm - 5:00pm
Looking for a unique gift idea for Mother's Day? Join our special 3D Print session where you can make customised items such as a book mark or gift box.
Suitable for ages 3 to 100!
Staff will help guide you design - all you need to do is wrap the gift!
Free event – bookings not required.

CURRENTLY READING...

We'll Meet Again
by Cheryl Adnams
Romance



1941: Australian sisters Elizabeth and Maggie Cardwell accompany their father on his diplomatic assignment to Hawaii where bright blue skies and the swaggering confidence of flirtatious American sailors make war feel like a distant threat. When the sisters meet the handsome Baker brothers, Maggie falls hard for Cody while Elizabeth discovers an easy friendship with older brother Tom. Just days after the Cardwell family board a ship returning to Australia, Japanese planes bomb Pearl Harbor...

With the war now very real to them all, the sisters embark on two very different paths that takes them to opposite ends of Australia. As the war continues to tear lives apart, neither sister expects to cross paths with the Baker brothers again. But perhaps the pull of fate is even more powerful than the chaos of war ...

NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK 15 - 21 May

Mount Gambier Library would like to acknowledge and thank all of our wonderful volunteers who generously donate their time to contribute to delivering quality services, resources and events for you, our community! Without their contributions, we would not be able to provide all that we do.

LIBRARY BOOK CLUB

Wednesday 3 May
2:00pm - 3:00pm

Bring a book you love or one you are currently reading and spend 10 minutes discussing your book. New members welcome.
Bookings encouraged.

Children's Programs

Under 5s Sessions:

Baby Bounce: Tuesday and Thursday at 10:00am

Storytime: Tuesday at 10:30am

Move & Groove: Thursday at 10:30am

Cave Club: Passport incentive for children attending Storytime and Move & Groove sessions.

After School Clubs:

LEGO Fan Club Classic: Monday 4:00pm - 5:00pm

STEAM Club: Tuesday 4:00pm - 5:00pm

Youth Chess Club: Thursday 4:00pm - 5:00pm

LEGO Fan Club Technics: Thursday 4:00pm - 5:00pm

JP Service Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday
12:00pm - 2:00pm

Local & Family History Help Wednesday: 2:00pm - 5:00pm

What Can I Borrow? 100 items in total.
4 week limit: books, audio books, graphic novels, jigsaws.
2 week limit 20 items: music CDs, DVDs.
Reserve up to 30 items at one time.
eResources: eAudio, eBooks, eMagazines.

Library Services Children, youth and adult events, school holiday activities, historical photographs, free internet, home delivery service, computer lessons, local and family history help, free wi-fi, MakerSpace activities, room hire.

Opening Hours Monday - Friday: 9:00am - 5:00pm
Saturday: 9:00am - 1:00pm
Sunday: 10:00am - 2:00pm as of 7 May 2023
Open public holidays: 12:00pm - 3:00pm
(except Christmas Day, Boxing Day, New Years Day and Good Friday).

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WHAT'S ON MAY 2023

Mount Gambier Library

AUTHOR EVENT VICTORIA PURMAN A WOMAN'S WORK Thursday 11 May at 7:00pm

