



Goondiwindi Regional Council

LIBRARY BOOK LOVERS' GROUP

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May 2024

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May Theme: *The Music in Life*

Featured Titles (Details available in library)

- *Cadence* / Emma Ayres
(Non Fiction 2014)
- *The Sisters' Song* / Louise Allan
(Fiction 2018)
- *Songspirals* / Gay'wu Group of Women
(Non Fiction 2019)
- *Water Music* / Margie Orford
(Fiction 2013)

Recommended Reading List

List attached. Printed copies in the library.

Featured Author

Joanna Nell



Recommendations From Other Readers

List attached. Printed copies in the library.

Book Reviews:

- *Sidelines* / Karen Viggers
Fiction 2024
- *Emergency Exit Only* / Michelle Upton
Fiction 2023

NEXT MEETING

4th June

Goondiwindi 10.00 a.m.

Theme: *Technology*

18th June

Inglewood 10.00 a.m.

From Both Groups This Month

***Fair Isle Nurse* / Mona McAlpine**
(not in library system) NF 2022

A memoir based on Mona's diary and her experiences as a nurse in Fair Isle.

***Galah : stories of life outside the city : people, places, community* / edited by Annabelle Hickson.** NF 2024

A stunning visual and written anthology celebrating life in regional Australia curated by *Galah* magazine founder.

***Irish Boarding House* / Sandy Taylor** F 2023

Kate is about to refuse (an inheritance) when she sees a beautiful, deserted house for sale and something sparks in her heart - to create a boarding house for single ladies, providing shelter for others as lost and alone as she was.

***The Year of the Locust* / Terry Hayes** F 2023

If you're a Denied Access Area spy for the CIA, then boundaries have no meaning. Your function is to go in, do whatever is required, and get out again - by whatever means.

***Don't Die With the Music in You* / Wayne Bennett** NF 2002

Writes on everything from mateship to the business and politics of sport, the importance of loyalty and team spirit, to the value of self-confidence and being honest with yourself.

Home: a memoir of my early years (2008) & Home Work (2019) / Julie Andrews NF

Book of Psalms has provided music for many centuries

Silent Coup : how corporations overthrew democracy / Claire Provost and Matt Kennard NF 2023

An explosive guide to the rise of a corporate empire that now dictates how resources are allocated, how territories are governed, and how justice is defined.

An Unlikely Prisoner / Sean Turnell NF 2023

For 650 days Sean Turnell was held in Myanmar's terrifying Insein Prison on the trumped-up charge of being a spy. he not only survived, but left with his humour intact, his spirit unbroken and love in his heart.

Outback Court Reporter / Jamelle Wells Non Fiction 2024

A sometimes funny, sometimes tragic look at the comings and goings on inside the country courtrooms dotted across Australia.

Prophet Song / Paul Lynch Fiction 2023

Ireland is in the grip of a government that is taking a turn towards tyranny. And as the blood-dimmed tide is loosed, Eilish finds herself caught within the nightmare logic of a collapsing society.

The Lockup / John Banville

Strafford (Detective) and Quirke's (Pathologist) most troubling case yet. Set in 1950s Dublin.

Political Bubble – Mark Latham NF 2014

This book explores how parliamentary democracy has lost touch with the people it's supposed to represent.

Secrets of Primrose Square &

Women of Primrose Square / Claudia Carroll Fiction 2018 / 2019

Dublin. So many stories hidden behind closed doors. As gossip spreads through Primrose Square, every relationship is tested.

The Only Woman at Gallipoli / John Howell Non Fiction 2014

In November, 1915 a woman appeared amid the fighting at Gallipoli. She laid a wreath on a grave and then disappeared. Five years of research has revealed this amazing true story.

Beneath Whose Hand / the autobiography of R.M. Williams NF 1984

The bushman, grazier, businessman and folk hero describes his childhood near the Flinders Ranges in South Australia, and his experiences in the bush after he left home at age 14.

Shanghai Acrobat / Jingjin Xue NF 2021

Tells the story of Jingjing's rise from poverty in revolutionary China to become an admired performer worldwide.

Iron Flame / Rebecca Yarros F 2023

Dragon riders make their own rules. But a determination to survive won't be enough this year. Because Violet knows the real secret hidden for centuries at Basgiath War College-- and nothing may be enough to save them.

Servo / David Goodwin Non Fiction 2024

David worked the weekend graveyard shift at his local servo. A side-splitting and darkly mesmeric coming-of-age story from behind the anti-jump wire that will have you gritting your teeth, then cackling at the absurdity, idiocy and utterly beguiling strangeness of those who only come out at night.

Mentioned previously:

Where the crawdads sing / Delia Owens F

River Run / Nicole Alexander F

Thursday Murder Club / Richard Osman F

Water for the Roots / Phillip Britts NF

Muster Dogs / Lisa Millar NF

Outlaws Inc. : flying with the world's most dangerous smugglers / Matt Potter NF

The Bee Keepers Secret / Josephine Moon F

Empty Mansions / Dedman & Newell, Jr. NF

The Boy, the Mole, the Fox & the Horse