



## Librarian's Column

Welcome to the latest issue of the Club Library's newsletter *The Browser*. The year is now well under way and the Library team have been working hard organising events and activities which we hope will appeal to Club members of all ages.

In this issue we are celebrating Library & Information Week from 20 – 26 May with events and activities to promote the great space and collection of the RACV Club Library. The collections at the City Club and Healesville Libraries offer members a great selection of books, magazines, CDs and newspapers. In addition to the loans service our helpful trained staff can assist with research on a variety of subjects including travel, food and wine, gardening, health and fitness, motoring and military history.

During Library week why not take the opportunity to visit the Club Library. You might find a book at the annual Big book sale that will tempt you to plan a holiday; or borrow a book, CD or magazine between 20–26 May and be automatically entered in our Library week competition to possibly win a great prize.

I look forward to seeing you in the Library soon.

**Kate McCaig**  
Club Librarian



## What is Happening in the City Club Library

The best method of keeping up to date with future events at the RACV Club is to check the What's On page of the RACV Club website. The calendar lists the upcoming events with specific booking details. Another tip is to sign up for E-Highlights, the monthly email sent to all Club members who have indicated they would like to receive this regular correspondence. It's a great reminder for you if you've been busy and missed an event advertised in the bimonthly Highlights magazine. Contact Club membership if you would like to subscribe to E- Highlights.

<https://www.racv.com.au/travel-leisure/racv-club/city-club/whats-on.html>

## Reciprocal Clubs

As part of your RACV Club membership you have access to over 164 reciprocal clubs, both within Australia and around the world. Many Club members take the opportunity to experience other private clubs with this fabulous reciprocal arrangement when they travel interstate or overseas.

A full list of clubs can be found via the RACV website. Not all reciprocal clubs offer accommodation as part of their services and you will need to consult the reciprocal club's website to ascertain what services each club offers.

**To visit a reciprocal club you need a letter of introduction which can be arranged by either applying online at: <https://www.racv.com.au/travel-leisure/racv-club/membership/reciprocal-clubs.html> or by contacting Club membership on 1300 501 501.**

## Library Hours for Public Holidays

The Library will be closed on the following days:

Monday 10 June: **Queen's Birthday**

During closures, loan items can be returned to the drop-box outside the Library or left with Concierge at the City Club's Bourke St entrance. Messages regarding loan renewals can be left on the Library voicemail by calling (03) 9944 8180 or via email [clublibrary@racv.com.au](mailto:clublibrary@racv.com.au)



## Library and Information Week

**Monday 20 to Sunday 26 May**

The theme for Library & Information Week 2019 is Truth, Integrity, Knowledge. The Club Library supports this theme with its collection of current resources available to members for research and loan. Our collection material consists of a variety of subject areas including business, health, fitness, motoring, food, wine and an extensive travel collection. Additionally we have a large map

collection includes driving atlases for those planning to travel by road either in Australia or overseas. If you've never borrowed from the Club Library, why not take advantage of the generous loan conditions and be eligible to win a great prize. Members can borrow up to ten items for three weeks and renew them up to five times, providing items are not reserved for another member.

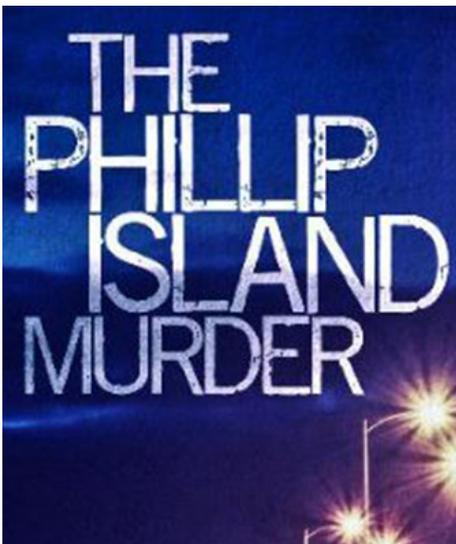
### Competition

Borrow a book, magazine or CD during Library Week, from 20 to 26 May, and go into the draw to win one

of two RACV Resorts Gift Cards valued at \$150 each. The more you borrow the more chances to win!

### Big Book sale

The popular annual Library Big Book Sale is on at the RACV City Club Library throughout Library Week. Drop in and grab a bargain with all books in good condition and at low prices from Monday 20 to Sunday 26 May. The books on sale consist mainly of older editions of current travel guides plus a few other surprises.



## Talking True Crime

**With Vikki Petraitis**

Best-selling true crime author Vikki Petraitis will talk about her two most famous books, *The Phillip Island Murder* and *The Frankston Murders* about serial killer Paul Denyer. The stories have been featured on *Casefile* and *Australian True Crime* podcasts as well as episodes of *Sensing Murder* and *Forensic Investigators*. Vikki is a sought-after public speaker who takes audiences step-by-step through the crimes and the police investigations.

Books will be sold at the event and Vikki will be available to sign them.

**Date:** Tuesday 21 May 2019

**Time:** 6.30pm to 8pm

**Venue:** Level 2, RACV City Club

**\$15 per person**

**For bookings and enquiries call Member events on 9944 8876 or email [memberevents@racv.com.au](mailto:memberevents@racv.com.au)**

## WHAT'S ON

The Library has organised a variety of activities for a wide range of ages and interests. Have a look at what is coming up in the months ahead and contact us to book those that appeal to you. Remember you can keep up to date with the latest Library events in Highlights, on the Club website and Facebook account [www.facebook.com/RACVClub](http://www.facebook.com/RACVClub)

### Library@Large



#### *Old Treasury Building - Early Paintings of Melbourne Exhibition*

Discover the rare and little-known paintings of Melbourne from the 1840s to the 1870s, from the Roy Morgan Research Centre Collection, on display in the iconic Old Treasury Building. These paintings, watercolours and lithographs provide an insider's glimpse of the early beginnings of colonial Melbourne, from a swamp town to the opulence and wealth of the gold rush era. Included in this tour is the Sir Francis Grant R.A. portrait of Charles La Trobe in the Executive Council Chamber. This tour is a must for all art and history buffs.

**Date:** Wednesday 19 June 2019

**Time:** 11am to 12pm

**\$10** per person

**Meeting point:** Group entrance, rear of Old Treasury Building  
Places strictly limited

**Bookings essential by:**  
Wednesday 12 June 2019



#### *Melbourne Cricket Club Library*

Join the Club Library on a guided tour of the Melbourne Cricket Club Library. The Library is a major repository for information on sport and sports history and is the reference centre for the MCC, MCG, and National Sports Museum. The strengths of the collection are in cricket, Australian Rules football, Olympic Games, tennis, golf, and 19th and early 20th century Melbourne newspapers – specifically The Australasian, Melbourne Punch and Melbourne Leader. While primarily a library for MCC members, it has a public responsibility to sustain and expand equitable access to its resources for a wide range of users.

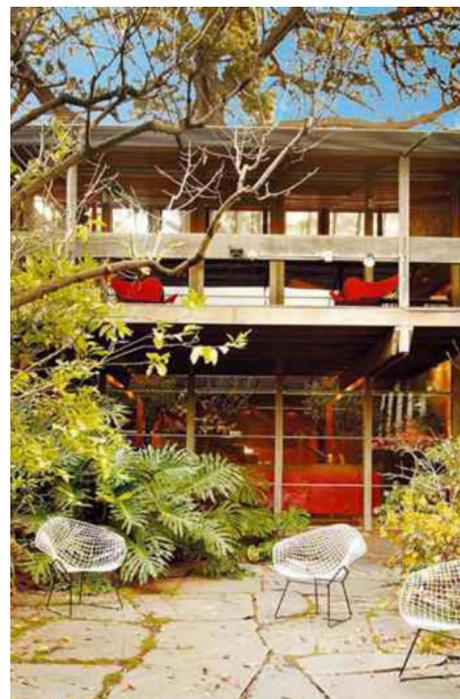
**Date:** Wednesday 31 July 2019

**Time:** 11am to 12.15pm

**FREE** for Club members

**Meeting point:** MCG Gate 2  
Places strictly limited

**Bookings essential by:**  
Wednesday 24 July 2019



#### *Robin Boyd House "Walsh Street"*

This is a great opportunity to visit the iconic house "Walsh Street" designed by Melbourne born architect Robin Boyd, in the 1950s for his own family. Walsh Street has since become the most famous example of Boyd's vision of what a family home could be in the mid twentieth century and remains influential both locally and internationally as an exemplar of modernist Australian architecture.

**Date:** Thursday 29 August 2019

**Time:** 11am to 1pm

**\$40** per person, includes light refreshments

**Meeting point:** 290 Walsh Street, South Yarra  
Places strictly limited

**Bookings essential by:**  
Thursday 22 August 2019

## Collection Spotlight

### Childrens' Non-Fiction collection

The City Club Library has an excellent selection of children's fiction, picture story books, teen fiction and some fun music CDs of nursery rhymes for the youngsters, plus Justin Bieber and One Direction for the older children.

The children's small non-fiction collection has books on a variety of subjects such as dinosaurs, snakes, spiders, cooking and other crafts, and a small collection of travel books specifically written to entertain children while they are travelling with their families. Probably the most popular book in the collection is the annual publication, Guinness Book of Records with its unusual and quirky records that naturally appeal to children.

#### Highlights from the book collection:

##### *Science: the definitive visual guide*

Editor-in-chief, Adam Hart-Davis  
CHILD NF 509 SCIE

##### *How to be a dinosaur hunter*

Author Scott Forbes  
CHILD NF 567.9 FORB



##### *Star Wars: battles for the galaxy*

Author Daniel Wallace  
CHILD NF 791.4375 WALL

##### *DK children's cookbook*

Recipes by Katharine Ibbs  
CHILD NF 641.5123 IBBS

##### *City Trails - Rome*

Author Moira Butterfield  
CHILD NF 914 5632 BUTT

##### *Smashing Saxons*

Author Terry Deary  
Illustrated by Martin Brown  
CHILD NF 942.01 DEAR



## The Wellness Factor

Join One Spa for a special event giving deeper insight into the health benefits of massage and how it complements fitness. Also you will hear from our resident Nutritionist Kasey on how important food and nutrition is for your wellness journey.

**Venue:** Library, Level 1 City Club

**Date:** Wednesday 31 July 2019

**Time:** 5.30pm to 6.30pm

**FREE** for Club members

**Call One Spa on 9944 8884 or email [onespa@racv.com.au](mailto:onespa@racv.com.au) to book**



## Book Groups

### Interested in Joining a Library Book Group?

Would you like to join a Club Library book group? Book groups are a great way to socialise, gain new perspectives and discover books that you may not have ever considered reading. The City Club library currently has three book groups. Two groups meet on Saturday mornings and the other group meets on a Wednesday evening and the groups meet monthly from March till November.

**Please contact library staff for more information on [clublibrary@racv.com.au](mailto:clublibrary@racv.com.au) or call 9944 8180.**

## Member Interest Groups

### Meeting dates for the following Groups

	Jun	Jul	Aug	Location	Time
<b>Book Group 1</b>	8	13	10	Library, Level 1	10.30am to 11.45am
<b>Book Group 2</b>	8	13	10	Level 2, Room TBA	11.15am to 12.30pm
<b>Book Group 4</b>	19	17	21	Library, Level 1	7.15pm to 8.30pm
<b>Travel Group 1</b>	13	11	8	Level 2, Room TBA	2pm to 3.30pm
<b>Travel Group 2</b>	11	9	13	Level 2, Room TBA	11am to 1pm



## What's Hot in Technology!

### *Family History Apps*

The increasing sophistication of mobile devices has enabled the development of a variety of apps that can be used increasingly in all walks of life. Over the past few years family history research has increased exponentially, and the following apps are designed to record, organise, share and capture those precious family documents and memories. All apps listed are free.

#### **RootsMagic App - iOS and Android**

A companion to RootsMagic genealogy software. If you don't have the desktop genealogy software, you can still download this app for free.

#### **CamScanner App - iOS and Android**

Uploads PDF files to CamScanner from the Web version. New PPT scan mode enables you to add meeting comments while taking pictures. ID scan mode now supports watermark protection.

**Available from:** <https://www.camscanner.com/user/download>

New text proofreading feature offer OCR.CamScanner for Android

#### **Google PhotoScan - iOS and Android**

Great for scanning, saving and editing images.

**Available from:** <https://www.google.com/photos/scan/>

#### **FamilySearch Memories - iOS and Android**

Allows you to take photos, record stories and make audio recordings.

**Available from:** [www.familysearch.org/mobile/memories](http://www.familysearch.org/mobile/memories)

## Travel Corner

### *Haskell Free Library & Opera House*

Completed in 1904 the Haskell Free Library and Opera House in Debury Line, Vermont USA is an impressive example of late Victorian, Georgian and neo-Classical architecture. A 400-seat theatre located on the second floor maintains all its original features from its plaster cherubs to the beautiful hand-painted drop curtain depicting Venice, painted by Boston theatre artist, Erwin LaMoss.

What makes the Haskell unique is its location, to be more specific its location in relation to the US and Canadian border. The Haskell was purposely built to straddle the edge of both countries. Gifted by Martha Stewart Haskell and her son Horace Stewart Haskell the building was a way to provide cultural and learning needs for the residents in the two border communities.

Nowhere else in the world can you enter a library in one country (The front door of the library is in Debury) while the circulation desk and all books are located on the Canadian side. Entering the library visitors will notice a black line that runs along the library floor, this is the actual border between the United States and Canada and was put there when a small fire broke out in the library during the 1970s. US and Canadian insurance companies were unable to decide what side the fire was on so brought in a surveyor to mark the exact location of the boundary within the building.



## RACV City Club Library

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racv.com.au/club-library

## Opening hours

Monday to Friday: 9.30am to 6pm  
Saturday: 10am to 4pm  
Sunday: 10am to 4pm  
Public Holidays - Closed

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