

Coffee Stained Pages: ANZAC Day 25th April

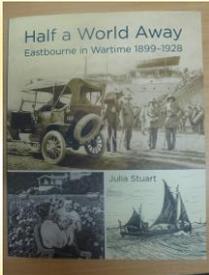
The latest from 'Writers Plot Readers Read'.

April 24, 2017

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ANZAC Day Reading:



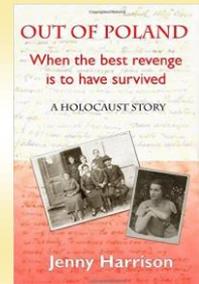
Half a world Away by Julia Stuart

Eastbourne, NZ in Wartime 1899 – 1922. Three decades, two wars and one community whose families were separated by military conflict during the early twentieth century as they served in the Boer War or World War 1. Drawing on national and local archives, published war histories, contemporary music and art, and family collections, it provides a moving, revealing and colourful account of a momentous time in New Zealand's history. RRP \$50

Out of Poland by Jenny Harrison

When the best revenge is to have survived. The present-day Siegel family knew nothing of their relatives only that they lived and died in Poland during the Second World War. Only when the suitcase was opened they finally learnt their father's dreadful secret.

A story of love, loyalty and heroism; of those who died, the ones who tried to save them and the one man who could have made a difference. RRP \$26

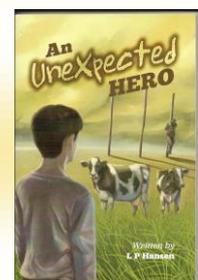


My Dear Chick by Beth Sutherland

New Zealand 1911-1948. The story of a 10-year courtship told through diaries and letters from the Great War and rural New Zealand. Between 1916-19 Len Wilton, a young Wairarapa farmer, was 'away at the war', serving on the Western Front, including Passchendaele. Meanwhile, at home, neighboring farmer's daughter Ilma McLachlan carried on with her life which she recorded in her diaries. Len's letters to his 'Chick' and Ilma's diaries form the heart of this book. RRP \$35

An Unexpected Hero by L.P. Hansen

Twelve-year old Matt Turner decides to speak about New Zealand's First World War pacifist, Archibald Baxter for his school project. Is that a good idea in a district where almost every family has lost someone to war? Why does Matt's own name provoke an angry outburst from an old soldier? Who starts sending him anonymous threatening letters? Support arrives in unexpected ways: but is it enough to get him through his challenges? RRP \$20

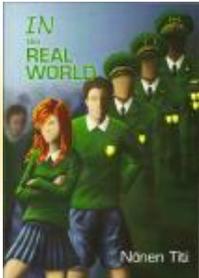
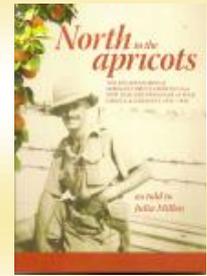


HMS Puriri by Gerry Wright

HMS Puriri (1938-1941). The story of the only warship to be lost by enemy action in New Zealand waters and the environment in which she served. The coaster MV Puriri was built in 1938 to work on the west coast of New Zealand, but in 1941 she was taken over by the New Zealand Navy and converted to a minesweeper. RRP \$15

North to the Apricots by Sergeant Bruce Crowley DCM

As told to Julia Millen. NZ prisoner of war stories from Sergeant Bruce Crowley DCM: A section 4RMT of the NZ Army Service Corps, who was the first New Zealand POW to make a successful escape from Germany back to Britain in World War II. Captured during the Allied withdrawal from Greece in April 1941, en route to a German POW camp he jumped from the train and for several months lived among Greek villagers. Re-captured he was sent to the infamous Stalag VIII B in southeastern Europe. RRP \$30



In the Real World by Nonen Titi

For 16 year olds, Jerome and Mariette, wars were events of history and faraway countries, until during an ANZAC Day family reunion their boys-against-girls prank 'war' gets totally out of hand.

Faced with the need for revenge, they begin to learn that conflict is never that far from home - or school - and that it isn't the acts of people, but their emotions that are ultimately responsible for the choice between war and peace. RRP \$28

What's Happening Around New Zealand:



Ngaio Marsh Award for Best Crime Novel - Murder in the Library events

Lower Hutt

2017 Ngaio Marsh Awards entrants Cat Connor, TA MacLagan, and LJ Ritchie will discuss how they create memorable characters, craft page-turning plotlines, and infuse their exciting storytelling with real-life issues. Steph Soper of the New Zealand Book Council will umpire.

WHEN: Tuesday 2 May 2017

WHERE: War Memorial Library, 2 Queens Drive, Lower Hutt

TIME: 6.15 for a 6.30pm panel discussion

Further details on their facebook page.

Booktown Featherston

12 – 14 May 2017 – ANZAC Hall, 62 Bell Street, Featherston.

Dunedin Writers and Readers Festival

9 – 14 May 2017

Auckland Writers Festival

16 – 21 May 2017

Details and programmes can be found on their websites and facebook pages.

What's On:

Writing group – with Cat Connor

Meets at the bookshop every 3rd Saturday 11am - 12:30pm

Next meeting 13 May - \$5pp

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