

EASTERN

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BONDI: LIFESTYLE MANOR

Lower lounge area at Lifestyle Manor, 24-32 Flood St, Bondi. Street parking available.

BOOK DISCUSSIONS 191EB01

Share your interest in books by enjoying lively discussions with other avid readers. Books for discussion are chosen from members' recommendations, usually set some months ahead. We try to choose books available from local libraries. (6 sessions).

Friday from 25 Jan 10:30 - 12:30

Leader and bookings: Jan Macindoe
jnmacindoe@gmail.com 9660 0208; 0424 537 557

BONDI JUNCTION: WAVERLEY COMMUNITY AND SENIORS CENTRE

31- 33 Spring Street (Mill Hill Community Centre), Bondi Junction.

SPANISH INTERMEDIATE 191EAS01

An adequate knowledge of grammar, vocabulary and pronunciation is needed, as well as a sense of humour.

Each Thursday from 14 Feb 10:00 - 12:00

Leader and bookings: Christine Lozano 9389 4310

BONDI JUNCTION: WAVERLEY LIBRARY THEATRETTE

32 Denison St, Bondi Junction.
Free two hours parking available.

Lift available. Disability parking.

All sessions 10:30 - 12:30 No bookings required

MONDAYS AT WAVERLEY LIBRARY 191EBJ01

1. Australian Drama and the Cosgroves

Melodrama and silent films will be shown and discussed

Monday 25 Feb

Speaker: Jenny O'Neill

2. Australian Poets

We look at the work of two poets Douglas Stewart and Bruce Dawes and how they fit into 1. Historic era
2. How relevant are they today? 3. Some poetic techniques
4. Discussion and response.

Monday 4 March

Speaker: Kathy Bradley.

3. China in the 21stC: the New Empire

What drives Australia's largest trading partner? A presentation to explore the hidden China few people know.

Monday 11 March

Speaker: Thomas Delisi

4. Crown St. Women's Hospital

Judith looks at some highlights of the Crown St. Women's Hospital in Surry Hills, 1893-1983.

Once NSW'S largest women's hospital, it was innovative, controversial and full of larger than life characters.

Monday 18 March

Speaker: Judith Godden

5. An Unorthodox Life in Music

Ambre will speak about her life in music, as a concert pianist and composer, and her humanitarian project

"Girl, Piano, and Truck".

Monday 25 March

Speaker: Ambre Hammond

6. Long Bay – a Prison History

Using story, video and song, the speaker describes living with his parents, who were jail workers, and seven siblings in a jail home.

Monday 1 April

Speaker: Pat Kennedy

7. Sir Hubert Wilkins, the Australian Polar Explorer 1888-1958

Aviator, Explorer, Photographer and Soldier. In numerous expeditions to the Poles Wilkins discovered new lands .He photographed the Balkans War, WW1, the Russian Famine, and Northern Australia's Aborigines. He toured in the Great Zeppelin *Hindenburg* and sailed a WW1 submarine under the Arctic Sea ice.

Monday 15, 29 April

Speaker: Christopher Beazley

8. The News You Choose

A discussion and communication workshop. Members to select, present and discuss good and bad examples of current news stories. Guided by an experienced journalist.

Monday 6 May

Speaker: Ronald Hoffman

9. Black Notes, White Notes

The influence of Afro-American music in classical music, from slave songs, rapture and jazz.

Monday 13 May

Speaker: Nora Hinchin

10. DNA. How Did it Build You and Me?

DNA is a complex molecule made of four nucleotides with symbols A, G, C and T. Together they make up the template to build all living organisms.

Monday 20 May

Speaker: Speaker Punci Dassanayake

FRIDAYS AT WAVERLEY LIBRARY 191EBJ02

1. The Spread of Buddhism

Buddhism started as a minor Indian sect around 500BC and has grown to be one of the world's greatest religions. Politics, other religions and related timings will be examined.

Friday 22 Feb

Speaker: Terry Redmond.

2. Girt by Sea and Ringed by Menace, Australia...

A look at the heroic and tragic stories of Australian submarines in WWI and WWII : how the German submarines and Japanese U-Boats patrolled Australian coasts, laying mines and sinking ships.

Friday 1 March

Speaker: Jim Haynes OAM

3. Encounters with History through Great Paintings Part 1

We will explore religious divisions and conflict in post Renaissance Europe, starting with Vincenino's "Leparto" then politics and religion in Tudor England with Holbein's "The Ambassadors".

Friday 8 March

Speaker: Terry Farrell

4. Encounters with History through Great Paintings Part 2

We will look at aspects of the Enlightenment in England and Scotland, starting with Raeburn's "Rev. Robert Walker, Skating on Duddingston", then aspects of the American Revolution starting with Benjamin West's "Death of Wolfe".

Friday 15 March

Speaker: Terry Farrell

5. Encounters with History through Great Paintings Part 3

We will consider the French Revolution and its consequences starting with David's "Death of Marat". Then the Industrial Revolution in England and France starting with Turner's "The Fighting Temeraire".

Friday 22 March

Speaker: Terry Farrell

6. Encounters with History Through Great Paintings Part 4

We will explore the development of the Australian identity looking at the work of the Heidelberg School Painters onwards, up to the work of William Dobell.

Friday 29 March

Speaker: Terry Farrell

7. Times and Rhymes of Henry Lawson and C.J. Dennis

The remarkable life of Henry Lawson, his humor, observations of Australian Society and his love for it. Plus recitation of some wonderful works by C.J. Dennis, 'The People's Poet'.

Friday 5 April

Speaker: Jim Haynes OAM

8. A Conversation: Australia's Unfinished Business

From The Warrior's Spear to the Writer's Pen and the Artist's Brush To The Statement from the Heart: Treaty, Recognition, An Indigenous Voice and the Truth-Telling of Australian History.

Friday 12 April

Speaker: Kerrie McKenzie

9. Good Friday

Friday 19 April

No speaker

10. No Speaker

Friday 26 April

No speaker (too close to ANZAC Day)

11. Are We Alone in the Universe?

For several hundred years humans have speculated about the existence of life on heavenly bodies other than the earth. This talk will summarise where the search for such life has led us.

Friday 3 May

Speaker: Gordon McLelland

12. Poets and Poetry

To see things with fresh eyes, revivify the senses, stimulate the imagination - explore poetry, experience how great poets achieved *felt thoughts* to penetrate our hearts and minds.

Friday 10 May

Speaker: Marie-Louise Anderson

13. The Wit and Wisdom of the Race-Track. History of Australian Horse Racing

Gems from Jim's collection of stories, jokes, anecdotes and verse about the champions, changes, scandals and the Aussie love of horseracing - the sport that reflects our national identity.

Friday 17 May

Speaker: Jim Haynes OAM

14. Marie Curie

Born Maria Sklodowska, scientist Marie Curie was the first woman to win a Nobel Prize and the only person to win the award in two different fields - physics and chemistry.

Friday 24 May

Speaker: Sydney Srinivas

15. Two Colourful Premiers of NSW

Sir Henry Parkes is known as the Father of Federation, Sir Robert Askin is known for the quote "run the bastards over", when referring to demonstrators against the visit of Lyndon Johnson. What are their stories and how has history remembered them?

Friday 31 May, 14 June

Speaker: Barbara Boston

16. The D'Oyly Carte Opera Company

This was the company that staged the Gilbert and Sullivan Operas from 1870 to 1982, mainly at the Savoy Theatre. Listen to the music and enjoy looking at the costumes.

Friday 7 June

Speaker: Rosemary McCulloch

DOUBLE BAY: WOOLLHARA LIBRARY

451 New South Head Rd, Double Bay. Lift available. Free 1.5 hour parking behind the Library.

THURSDAYS AT DOUBLE BAY..... 191EDB01

All talks 10.30 am – 12.30pm

Bookings: mste8801@bigpond.net.au

1. The Islamic Golden Age

A survey of achievements of the Islamic Golden Age, covering a wide spectrum of achievements and their role in bridging the Ancient and Medieval worlds.

Thursday 11 April

Speaker: Tony McCurdy

2. The Trojan War

One of the most famous wars of all time but did it actually take place? Shrouded in mythology, it bequeathed to us terms, such as odyssey and Achilles heel.

Thursday 9 May

Speaker: David Wardle

3. Sir Hubert Wilkins, the Australian Polar Explorer 1888-1958

Wilkins toured in Graf Zeppelin. He converted a submarine to dive under the Arctic Ice and conquered the Antarctic with Lincoln Ellsworth.

Thursday 6 June

Speaker: Christopher Beazley

4. Mindfulness for a Balanced Life

21st Century living is stressful for all sorts of reasons. This course will introduce mindfulness skills as a way to manage stress, anxiety and other strong emotions. It will teach you how to relax and take in the good, how to savour and appreciate what works in your life rather than focusing on what doesn't.

Thursday 13, 20, and 27 June

Leader: Judith Lissing

NORTH BONDI BOOK GROUP 191EAW01

Third Wednesday of each month, 2pm onwards

Leader and bookings: Patricia Dunn 9365 6896

MAROUBRA: LIONEL BOWEN LIBRARY

669 Anzac Parade (cnr Gale St), Maroubra Junction.

FILM DISCUSSION (20)**..... 191EAM01

Do you enjoy going to the movies and would you enjoy sharing your opinions with others? Each fortnight a discussion of acting, characters, plot and cinema topography will be held on one or two nominated movies.

Alt Tuesdays from 5 Feb 10:30 – 12:30

Leaders and bookings, Graham Blazey

9365 1961 gblazey@optusnet.com.au

Gail Filetti 9349 5591 rgfil@bigpond.com

DISCUSSION GROUP 191EAM02

If you are interested in the world around you, combined with a love of the occasional debate, come and join us at Maroubra. We have fun.

Alt Tuesdays from 12 Feb 10:00 - 12:00

Leader and bookings: Marise Segelov 9363 4023;

0410 514 866 marisesegelov@gmail.com

PADDINGTON: EJ WARD COMMUNITY CENTRE

189 Underwood Street, Paddington. Street parking.

FRENCH ADVANCED 191EAP01

This is an informal discussion group. We chat, debate topical subjects, read articles, learn pronunciation and have fun while brushing up on our French. This is a full year course.

Alt Fridays from 8 Feb 10:30 - 12:00

Leader and bookings: Sabina Menczel 9371 5760

FRENCH CONVERSATION..... 191EAP02

Lively discussion group debating topical subjects (lounge area). This is a full year course.

Each Thursday from 7 Feb 9:30 - 11:00

Leader and bookings: Michael Sullivan

nemtchinov@hotmail.com 0422 347 344

RANDWICK: MARGARET MARTIN LIBRARY

Level 1, Royal Randwick Shopping Centre, Belmore Road, Randwick

FILM DISCUSSION ** (20)..... 191ER01

Do you enjoy going to the movies and sharing your ideas? This group discusses two films per fortnight which are chosen by the group at each session. Discussions will include cast, direction plot and production in a stimulating and fun environment.

Alt Thursdays from 24 Jan 1:00 - 3:00

Leader and bookings: Sheila Philippou 9152 9445

sheilabunn@yahoo.com.au

WOOLLAHRA: GADEN COMMUNITY CENTRE

(Formerly known as the Woollahra Holdsworth Community Centre) Corner Edgecliff Road and Queen Street, Woollahra.

ITALIAN ADVANCED..... 191EAG01

This course is for more advanced students.

Alt Wednesdays from 6 Feb 10:30 - 12:30

Leader and bookings: Isabella Fransechini 9380 9231

BEGINNERS FRENCH..... 191EAG02

The focus is on conversation necessary for travel. The course covers basic grammar, pronunciation and vocabulary. This is a full year course.

Each Thursday from 14 Feb 10:45 - 12:45

Leader and bookings: Jeanette Pham 0409 751 377

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WOOLLAHRA: GOODWIN VILLAGE

238-290 Jersey Rd, Woollahra. No onsite parking. Limited street parking.

WEDNESDAYS AT GOODWIN VILLAGE 191EGV01

Wednesdays 10.30 – 12.30

Bookings required: mste8801@bigpond.net.au

1. The Life and Influence of George Orwell

Claimed as hero by both Left and Right with detractors on both sides. A review of his life with a view to coming to a balanced assessment of his influence.

Wednesday 6 March

Speaker: Patrick Hutchinson

2. My Time as Bishop of Goulburn

My life as an adopted child and as a bishop.

Wednesday 3 April

Speaker: Stuart Robinson

3. On Being Loved - Emotions, Human Beings and God

Does God have emotions? Why do we love emotions? Why do we value emotions so much as a source of information about the world?

Wednesday 1 May

Speaker: Michael Jensen

4. Archipelago - A Journey across Indonesia

Indonesia is the most culturally diverse nation on the planet. Ian Burnet combines his love of adventure and travel with his knowledge of history, to take us on a journey across the Indonesian Archipelago.

Wednesday 5 June.

Speaker: Ian Burnet

PRIVATE HOMES

BRONTE BOOK GROUP (Bronte)..... 191EAH01

First Thursday of each month from 7 Feb 2:00 onwards

Leader and bookings: Janet Sculfer 0409222828

MUSIC, COFFEE AND CAKE (Randwick) 191EAH02

We will listen to compositions from the great masters focusing on less-often heard works and composers. Group participation is warmly welcomed.

Every second Monday from 11 Feb 2:00 – 4.00

Leader and bookings: Julie Reid 8668 5522

ROSE BAY BOOK GROUP (Rose Bay)..... 191EAH03

First Wednesday of each month from 6 Feb 2:00 onwards

Leader and bookings: Sylvia Bennett 9371 5547