

WHAT'S ON @ YOUR LIBRARY



January | February | March 2024

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January | February | March program

Goulburn Mulwaree Library is pleased to welcome you to 2024 with our January to March program of events.

This summer holidays we have activities on offer for the kids and teens, and even craft for the adults too! Plus, don't forget to register for our Summer Reading Challenges and have the chance to win lots of great prizes for all ages.

In February we see the return of many highly popular events including Beers and Braids, Library Lovers' Day, Tech Tutorials, and the Hobbies Expo! Along with upcoming author talks, workshops, information sessions, and even a Taylor Swift party, there is sure to be something for everyone this quarter in the Library!

Coming up in Term 1, we've made changes to our early childhood, after school, and adult programs, so make sure to check out pages 12-15 and find out which new offerings are suitable for you and your family.

We are experiencing higher than ever demand for events and programs, so make sure to follow us on Facebook or mark the 'bookings open' date in your calendar to avoid missing out!

Book online:



For more information, contact the Library on (02) 4823 4435 or email library@goulburn.nsw.gov.au



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Summer Reading Programs



BINGO!



JOIN THE CHALLENGE WITH READING BINGO!



Join our reading challenge this summer by participating in the Kids Summer Reading Club. Collect your welcome pack including charm wristband and reading bingo card from the library. Collect charms for your wristband and have a chance at the grand prize draw!

AGES 3-12 YEARS • 1ST DECEMBER - 31ST JANUARY

Don't judge a book by its cover!



1 December 2023 - 31 January 2024

Enjoy the reveal and discover new favourites as you choose from our selection of wrapped books without seeing the cover! Read a total of 6 surprise books throughout the challenge to go into the \$300 Grand Prize Draw, and win prizes along the way as you complete your reviews.

For teens and adults. Register for free in the Library.

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School Holiday Activities

Bookings: gmlib.co/whatson

TUE
9 JAN

10.30AM
-
12PM

BEAR HUNT STORY WALK

We're Going on a Bear Hunt
Michael Rosen Helen Oxenbury



We're going on a bear hunt; we're going to catch a big one! Join us on a Bear Hunt throughout the Library as we weave through grass and stomp through mud, but don't get caught in the snowstorm! Will we find a bear in the Library? Come along to make bear crafts, and enjoy a bear-themed morning tea!

Ages 3+ | \$5 | Bookings open 9 December

FRI
12 JAN

10AM
or
11.30AM

PICCOLO PONIES



Fairy Erin and her unicorn, Piccolo, will sing and dance their way through Fairyland with all-new original music for kids! Piccolo (a real miniature pony) will showcase his tricks as the magical team discover how imagination can create endless possibilities of fun! Fairy Erin trained Piccolo herself using natural horsemanship and positive reinforcement clicker training. This show is perfect for preschool-aged children and anyone young at heart!

Ages 2+ | \$5 | Bookings open 9 December

TUE
16 JAN

2PM
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3PM

TERRARIUM WORKSHOP



Get your hands dirty making a fun terrarium to brighten up your bedroom or living space. In a large jam jar, create layers of decorative base materials, plant a range of interesting rainforest plants, add magical fairy lights, and adorn your own miniature world for woodland creatures or dinosaurs to live!

Ages 8+ | \$5 | Bookings open 9 December

TUE
23 JAN

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2PM

YOUTH SCIENCE IN ACTION



Spend the day in the Library tweaking your STEAM skills. Join the Library and the Youth Services team in an action-packed day where you will make mini solar powered boats and cars. In this hands-on session you will assemble and put together electrical components, panels, and screws to make your vehicle come to life. We will also build a Buzz game using electrical boards and batteries. The session includes two building classes, time to watch your creation at work, lunch, and the opportunity to take the Sphero Ball Robots for a whirl if time permits.

Ages 12+ | Free | Bookings via tinyurl.com/GMCyouthservices

Special Events - January

Bookings: gmlib.co/whatson

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20 JAN

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4PM

MAKE YOUR OWN ACCESSORIES



Get creative these summer holidays and join Kylie from *Made by Me*, as she demonstrates how to make your own accessories! Participants will be able to design and create their own earrings, key fob, shoelaces, scrunchies, and beaded pens. Everything will be supplied to make your creations, and Kylie will be available to complete any sewing requirements. Book in with your girlfriends or as a mother-daughter duo for a fun afternoon!

Teens & Adults | \$5 | Bookings open 9 December

MON
29 JAN

1PM
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2PM

TENDER TALK



Death. Dying. Two words that often cause discomfort, despair and distress. But they don't have to. Let's change the conversation! Come and join the team from Tender Funerals Canberra Region for a Tender Talk. Together, we'll ask questions like...What if we approached death with curiosity? As an opportunity to connect to our community and ourselves? As a time for celebration, creativity, and reflection? Or even just with the goal of not leaving our families with a truckload of admin and decisions to make at a time of grief?

Adults | Free | Bookings open 29 December

DID YOU KNOW THE LIBRARY CAN COME TO YOU?

We would love to visit you at your location or invite you for a tour of the Library. We're grateful for our relationships with many community groups, and we'd love to discuss how we can enhance our delivery of Library services to you. We can offer engaging events, activities and programs to a range of community members.

- TAILORED PROGRAMS & ACTIVITIES
- RESEARCH SKILLS WORKSHOPS
- LIBRARY TOURS
- STORY TIME SESSIONS
- LOCAL HISTORY FOR SCHOOLS



EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FORM

Are you ready for back-to-school?

The Library offers a fantastic range of research databases and homework help for students! Including *Britannica Library: Kids*, *Gale Interactive: Science*, *National Geographic Kids*, and more!

Access anywhere, anytime, on any device here and at home!



GALE

ADVENTURE AWAITS

Gale Presents: National Geographic Kids is your passport to learning.

GALE PRESENTS

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC KIDS

EXPLORE SCIENCE OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM

Bring a virtual science lab home with *Gale Interactive: Science*.

Special Events - February

Bookings: gmlib.co/whatson

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BEERS AND BRAIDS FOR DADS



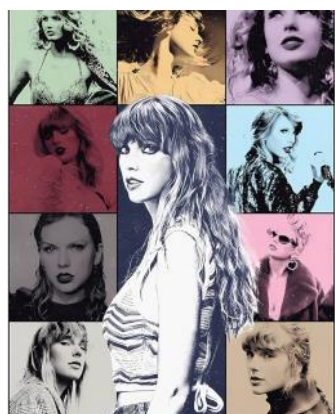
Get 'back to school' ready! Come along and learn basic hair styling techniques to help style your child's hair in a simple, fun, and creative way! Participants will be taught the skills of braiding, plaiting, and twisting hair and have the opportunity to perfect them so they can be put into practice at home. This fun and interactive session is a great opportunity to learn a new skill and connect with other dads. Includes drinks and refreshments.

Dads | \$5 | Bookings open 3 January

SAT
10 FEB

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10PM

TAYLOR SWIFT ERAS CELEBRATION



Are you ready for it? You may not have gotten tickets to see Taylor Swift live, but that doesn't mean we can't celebrate all things Taylor Swift! The Library will transform into a dance floor featuring a Swiftie eras-themed costume contest, prizes, and lots of music. Stop by our themed creative stations to make your own friendship bracelets, perfect your *Red* lipstick, and pose in our giant butterfly photo booth. Visit our snack station and lolly bar and sip on pink lemonade.

Ages 13+ | \$5 | Bookings open 10 January

Library Lovers' Day



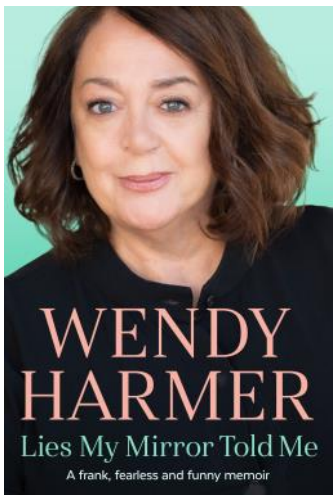
Australian Library and Information Association

Wednesday 14 February 2024

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7.30PM

LIBRARY LOVERS' DAY



A special treat for Library Lovers' Day! Join popular author, Meredith Jaffé, as she interviews Wendy Harmer about her frank, funny, and fearless memoir, *Lies My Mirror Told Me*. You will hear all about Wendy's extraordinary life from being born with a severe facial deformity, to performing as a stand-up comedian, a national television host, and then the highest paid woman in the cut-throat world of Sydney FM radio. Whilst hearing about Wendy's tale of overcoming adversity, you are sure to be entertained by her trademark in-your-face frankness and celebrated wit. Includes drinks, nibbles, and book signings.

Adults | \$5 | Bookings open 14 January

HOBBIES EXPO

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17 FEB

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Are you looking for exciting new things to do on your weekends? Maybe you have recently retired and are looking for a hobby or the opportunity to meet some like-minded people? Come along to the Hobbies Expo and see what Goulburn has to offer for the whole family! A number of community groups and organisations will be there to answer any questions you may have so you can find a hobby you love!

All ages | Free | Drop in or book from 17 January

TECH TUTORIALS

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22 FEB

10.30AM
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1.30PM



Come along to a small group session and improve your digital literacy! NBN ambassador Katharine Routh will provide advice and support on topics that will help you navigate the digital world. Topics covered will include communication over phone and email, understanding apps and websites, and how to protect your digital legacy and online footprint, as well as time for your own questions. Includes a short tea & coffee break.

Adults | Free | Bookings open 22 January

BUS WEEK STORY TIME

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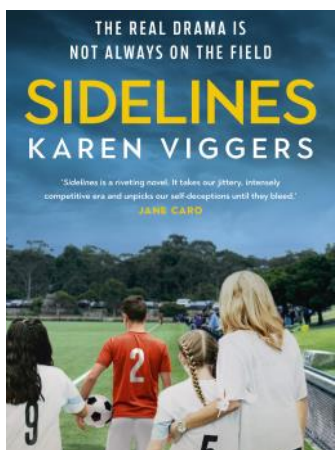
Join us for Bus Safety Week with a very special visitor to our Story Time program. Bus Safety Week will be held on Tuesday 20 and Thursday 22 February to raise awareness on how to stay safe on and around buses. We will work in conjunction with Council's Road Safety and Traffic Officer to bring a bus to the Library for children to learn bus safety and have the opportunity to talk to a bus driver. The session will include fun bus stories, crafts, and the chance to take a short ride on a real bus!

Ages 3+ | Free | Bookings via Term 1 Story Time

AUTHOR TALK - KAREN VIGGERS

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29 FEB

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7.30PM



Join us and bestselling author of *The Orchardist's Daughter* as she discusses her latest book, *Sidelines*. When a violent brawl erupts at a suburban junior soccer game, some onlookers are shocked. But others saw it coming. Rivalry, parental pressure, coaching bias, inequity, and many other factors have played a part in turning Saturday mornings into a pressure cooker. This riveting novel is one that will keep you turning pages to the end. Includes drinks, nibbles, and book signings.

Adults | \$5 | Bookings open 29 January

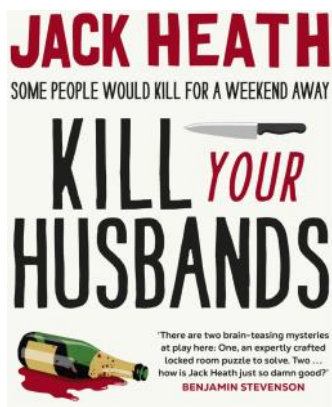
Special Events - March

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AUTHOR TALK - JACK HEATH



Meet bestselling author, Jack Heath, and hear him talk about his witty, page-turning, twisty whodunit, *Kill Your Husbands*. Three couples rent a luxury house for an unplugged weekend of drinking and bushwalking. On the first night, the topic of partner-swapping comes up. It's a joke—at first. Not everyone is keen, but an agreement is made; the lights will be turned out. But when the lights come back on, they are stranded and someone is dead... Includes drinks, nibbles, and book signings.

Adults | \$5 | Bookings open 8 February

FRI
15 MAR

11.30AM
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12.30PM

EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT TALK



The Library invites parents, grandparents, and carers to join a child development information session with EACH health and support services. The workshop will include information about developmental milestones, how children mature differently, what to expect at certain ages, and practical tips on how to support your child's development. There will be opportunities to discuss any specific concerns and where to go for support. Families and carers of children 0-6 are welcome to attend.

Parents & Carers | Free | Bookings open 15 February

TUE
19 MAR

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2PM

SERVICE NSW SENIORS TALK



Come along to a presentation by Mel Warn from Service NSW and learn how to use Savings Finder. Mel will be able to answer questions and present information on reducing costs of living by finding the rebates and vouchers relevant to you. These include but are not limited to, the seniors energy rebate, pension concession rebates, vehicle-related rebates for concession card holders, and medical travel rebates. Mel will also outline the wills and planning support that is provided by Service NSW.

Adults | Free | Bookings open 19 February



FREE early childhood Song Book—Now available at the Library with all of our favourite rhymes and songs.

- Birth to five is the optimal window to build lifelong language and literacy foundation.
- Use this song book for inspiration to talk, sing, play and read every day!

Available in your language at: gmlib.co/EarlyChildhood



THE LIBRARY @ GOULBURN SQUARE

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20 MAR

10AM
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12PM



The Library is heading to Goulburn Square! Find us near Coffee Club on Wednesday 20 March and get a taste for our early childhood programs, including read aloud stories, singing, dancing, and a take-home craft pack! Staff will also be there to assist with any questions about our programs, events, and local studies. Come down for a chat and see what the Library has to offer! Early Literacy smash-up sessions will run at 10am, 10.30am, and 11am, and are free to participate in.

All ages | Free | Drop in

WORKSHOP - WRITING CRAFT ESSENTIALS

SAT
23 MAR

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3.30PM



Join writer, podcaster, writing teacher, and mentor Pamela Cook, and award-winning romance author, lawyer, and academic Penelope Janu, to learn about the essentials of fiction writing. Pamela and Penelope are both experienced published authors with so much to share about the writing life! You'll leave the workshop with a clear idea of what's needed to get your story started, how you can massage it into shape, and a whole lot of writing tips to inspire you, help you get words on the page, and work out what comes next.

Teens & Adults | Free | Bookings open 23 February

IN CONVERSATION - PAMELA COOK AND PENELOPE JANU

SAT
23 MAR

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Join Pamela and Penelope as they talk about their books, respective paths to publication, writing processes, and writing careers in this in-conversation between two experienced and entertaining authors. They are friends, writing buddies, and members of The Inkwell writing group, and love nothing better than talking about books and writing to like-minded readers and fellow writers. They have recently co-published novellas in an anthology of rural stories; *A Country Vet Christmas*.

Adults | Free | Bookings open 23 February

TUE 26 &
THU 28
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11.30AM

EASTER STORY TIME



Easter is just around the corner so hop into the Library for our interactive Easter Story Time. This fun session will include Easter themed crafts and stories followed by a big Easter Egg Hunt through the Library. Wear your favourite Easter costume and get ready for lots of fun!

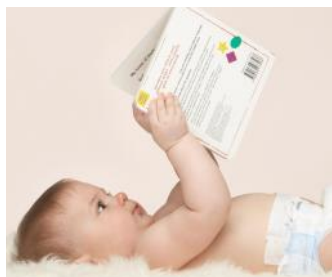
Ages 3+ | Free | Bookings via Term 1 Story Time

Regular Programs - Kids/Youth

Bookings: gmlib.co/whatson

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BABY TIME



Baby Time is a free program of songs, rhymes, puppets, books, and games for children 0-1 years of age. Introduce your baby to literacy, learning, and social development in a fun environment filled with music, movement, and laughter! Two sessions run every Monday during the school term for 30 minutes each.

Babies 0-1 | Free | Bookings open 5 January

10.30AM
or
11.30AM

TUE/THU
TERM 1

STORY TIME



Story Time is a free program featuring stories, songs, rhymes, and craft for children aged 3-5 years. Book your child in to get a head start on literacy and encourage an early love of reading! Sessions run for one hour, with places available on either Tuesday or Thursday during the school term.

Ages 3-5 | Free | Bookings open 5 January

10.30AM
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11.30AM

TUE
TERM 1

PEER READING



The Peer Reading program is designed to improve literacy skills and foster a love of reading in primary-school aged children. High school volunteer Peer Leaders act as mentors and motivators during one-on-one read-aloud sessions with primary school Peer Readers, helping to build confidence and enjoyment of reading together with their student.

Kids | Free | Bookings open 5 January

3.45PM
or
4.15PM

TUE
TERM 1

PEER LEADERS



Peer Leader high school students act as mentors and motivators during one-on-one read-aloud sessions with primary school Peer Readers. Using the buddy system in a learning environment, this program aids the development of leadership skills in mentors, and improves literacy confidence in young readers.

Teens | Free | Enrolment forms: gmlib.co/peerleader

3.45PM
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4.45PM

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TODDLER TIME



Toddler Time is a free interactive program for children aged 1-2 years. These action-packed sessions include songs and stories as a group, followed by creative stations that encourage you to dance, sing, read, play, and explore with your child. Sessions run for 45 minutes every Wednesday during the school term.

Ages 1-2 | Free | Bookings open 5 January

10.30AM
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11.15AM

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TERM 1

3.45PM
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4.45PM

S.T.E.A.M. PUNKS



Join us for weekly STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics) projects where students will engage in experiential learning, persist in problem-solving, embrace collaboration, and work through the creative process. Build robots, undertake scientific experiments, and use your creativity in these fun engaging sessions.

Ages 8+ | Free | Bookings open 5 January

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3PM

TELL ME A STORY



Tell Me a Story is our intergenerational literacy program! Come along with your child and enjoy reading, rhymes, and singing with our group of senior friends. Read a book one-on-one with a senior community member, play games, and learn together. A perfect place to share stories and for friendships to grow!

Ages 3-5 | Free | Bookings open 5 January

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5.30PM

YOUTH STUDY SESSIONS



Join the Goulburn Youth Services team for their Connect Support, Empower program in the Library meeting room! These sessions are aimed at encouraging independent study skills for year 7-12 students in a safe environment with like-minded individuals. An afternoon snack will be provided.

Teens | Free | Drop in

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TERM 1

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11AM

GIGGLE & WIGGLE



Giggle & Wiggle is a free toddler dancing program for children 2-5 years of age. Use song and dance to introduce your child to literacy through the translation of movement, expression, and communication into words. Sessions run for 30 minutes every Friday during the school term.

Ages 2-5 | Free | Bookings open 5 January

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22 MAR

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5PM

Q SPACE FOR YOUTH



Q Space for Youth welcomes members and allies of the LGBTQIA+ community to an informal drop in at the Library on the last Friday of each month. Each Q Space session will feature an activity, special guest, or presentation, and the opportunity to socialise and have fun over afternoon tea! Explore creativity and resources in a safe and inclusive environment.

Teens & Young Adults | Free | Drop in

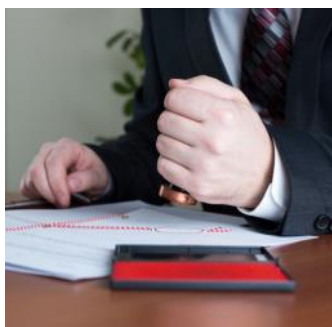
Regular Programs - Adults

Bookings: gmlib.co/whatson

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1.30PM

JP COMMUNITY DESK



Do you require the service of a JP? The Library has volunteer JPs available over the lunch hour on weekdays to offer services such as witnessing and certifying routine legal documents including wills, statutory declarations, affidavits, and passport applications. Drop in sessions are held in the Local Studies Area from 12.30pm-1.30pm, Monday to Friday.

Free | Weekdays | Drop in

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8 APR

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2PM

MINDFUL MONDAYS



Create a positive start to your week with a focus on mindful self care. Throughout this 10 week course, participants can learn how to improve overall wellbeing with tips and techniques for managing mental, emotional, and social health. Each session builds on prior learning and is informative, interactive, and tailored to the group.

Free | 10 week course | Bookings open 5 January

TUE

10.30AM
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11.30AM

PHONE A FRIEND



Come along to our drop-in tech help sessions and Phone a Friend... literally. This self-guided support group is for those wanting to enhance their skills with mobile phones and other devices. Put into practise things you have learnt during tech tutorials at the Library and share your own knowledge with other patrons! Together we can improve digital literacy, create a more connected community, and have the chance to both give and receive mentoring on your shared learning journey! These sessions will not be staffed, so the topics explored can be determined by you!

Free | Weekly | Drop in

TUE
6 FEB
5 MAR

5.30PM
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7PM

GENRE BOOK CLUB



Wanting to meet people, chat with other book worms, or find great reading recommendations? Try our book club with a difference! On the first Tuesday of each month at 5.30pm, the Library runs a book club discussion revolving around a central theme or genre. Nobody reads the same book, and each month we try out a new topic to expand our reading horizons.

Free | First Tuesday of each month | Drop in

Community Programs

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monthly

10.30AM
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12PM

FELLOWSHIP OF AUSTRALIAN WRITERS



Do you have a pile of half written masterpieces that you just can't seem to finish? Well, you are not alone and there is an answer to your problem! A writing group can help, support, and encourage you in your writing, so come along on the third Wednesday of each month to meet and collaborate with other local writers. All enquiries via goulburn.faw@gmail.com

All ages | Free | Expressions of interest

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SATURDAY BOARD GAMES



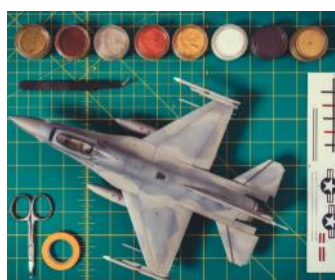
Unplug and grab a board game to enjoy with friends or family at the Library. Select a board game from the front desk to use in the Library. Choose from games including Azul, Colour Brain, Codenames, Pictionary, Exploding Kittens, Settlers of Catan, 5 Second Rule, Scattergories, UNO and much more!

All ages | Free | Drop in

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12.30PM

GOULBURN MULWAREE MODEL GROUP



Drop in to the Library every second Saturday for this fun hobby group. Bring along your latest construction project to work on in the Library meeting room alongside other model enthusiasts. Learn new skills and make new friends with this fun and artistic hobby. BYO materials and supplies.

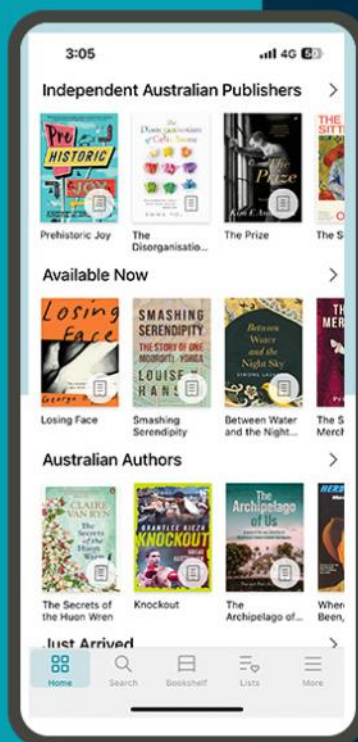
Ages 12+ | Free | Drop in

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Monday to Friday 10am-6pm

Saturday 10am-2pm

Closed Sunday

Closed Public Holidays



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- Regular calendar of events including author talks, workshops, early childhood programs, kids activities, & more!
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