# **Mapleton Library**

# Community Centre News

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The Centre is operated by volunteers and proudly supported by the Sunshine Coast Council's grants programme as well as local businesses and organisations.

Online catalogue:

mapleton.intersearch.com.au

Library Hours
Mon - Fri 1pm-4pm
Sat 9am-12pm
Closed Public
Holidays

Thank you for supporting our Library Community Centre.

Your annual membership fee is due by 30 June 2025—pay now and you are financial until 30 June 2026.

Please pop in to pay your \$12 and stay financial.

Thank you.

# What's Happening

**Trivia fund raiser**—8 August Friday night at the Mapleton Bowls Club. One table is still available.

**Bingo**—5 September at 9:30am

The first **Mapleton Writers** gathering happened on Friday 1st August at 1:30pm.

The first **Bunning Cake Stall** happened on Saturday August 2nd. What an impact we

made! Bunnings Activities Coordinator was very impressed indeed. We had customers coming back complimenting our 'cooks'. Well done to all the volunteers who cooked, offered ingredients and financial donations to buy ingredients.

**'Exploring Tomorrow'** on the 30th July—the presentation by Ben Johnston was challenging and yet, enlightening. Well done Ben. Image inside this edition.







Above left: a writer busy writing. Top right stall at Bunnings. Lower: Andrea, Jann, Nita and Tricia wrapping Friday night before Bunnings. It took 3 1/2 hours to wrap, label and price.



#### **Fiction Additions**

Total control Baldacci, David

A woman of courage Blanchard, Tania

Weekends with the Sunshine Gardening Society Green, Sophie

The monsters of Templeton Groff, Lauren

Southern man Iles, Greg

The curator King, Owen

House of sky and breath Maas, Sarah J

The house of earth and blood Maas, Sarah J

Serpent and dove Mahurin, Shelby

The keeper of hidden books Martin, Madeline

Moscow X McCloskey, David

At the going down of the sun O'Connor, Mary-Anne

Murtagh Paolini, Christopher

When the moon hatched Parker, Sarah A

Bridgerton To Sir Phillip, with love Quinn, Julia

A choir of crows Robb, Candace

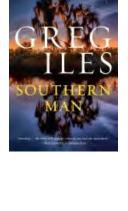
A cruel courtship Robb, Candace

The eagle in the sand Scarrow, Simon

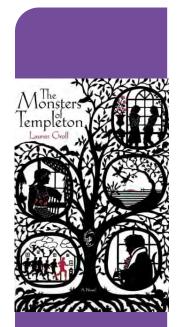
A day of fallen night Shannon, Samantha

The second death Tremayne, Peter

The house of death Tremayne, Peter







#### Member's Book Review

## The monsters of Templeton by Lauren Groff

"The day I returned to Templeton steeped in disgrace, the fifty-foot corpse of a monster surfaced in Lake Glimmerglass."

So begins The Monsters of Templeton, a novel spanning two centuries: part a contemporary story of a girl's search for her father, part historical novel, and part ghost story, this spellbinding novel is at its core a tale of how one town holds the secrets of a family.

In the wake of a wildly disastrous affair with her married archeology professor, Willie Upton arrives on the doorstep of her ancestral home in Templeton, New York, where her hippie-turned-born-again-Baptist mom, Vi, still lives. Willie expects to be able to hide in the place that has been home to her family for generations, but the monster's death changes the fabric of the quiet, picture-perfect town her ancestors founded. Even further, Willie learns that the story her mother had always told her about her father has all been a lie: he wasn't the random man from a free-love commune that Vi had led her to imagine, but someone else entirely. Someone from this very town.

As Willie puts her archaeological skills to work digging for the truth about her lineage, she discovers that the secrets of her family run deep. Through letters, editorials, and journal entries, the dead rise up to tell their sides of the story as dark mysteries come to light, past and present blur, old stories are finally put to rest, and the shocking truth about more than one monster is revealed.

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Remember, you cannot extend a loan, but you can reserve

## Recent Magazine Editions

Australian Geographic
Wildlife Australia
The Australian Women's
Weekly
Australian Home Beautiful
ABC Gardening Australia
Better Homes and Gardens
National Geographic
National Geographic Kids

**Australian Country** 

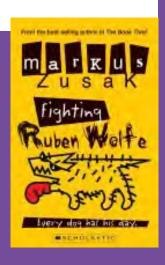
Country Style National Geographic

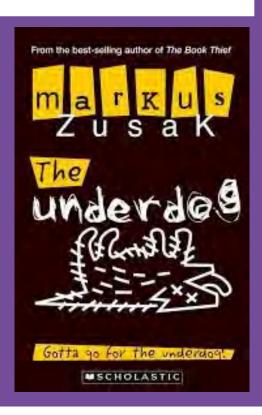


New **Mapleton Art Trail** free postcard. Collect one and scan the QR code, and find the map and locations of the current art works.

#### **Children Additions**

Fighting Ruben Wolfe Zusak, Markus
The underdog Zusak, Markus





# **Art Display**





Beautiful works by one of our younger members of the community, Ella

If you are local artist contact mapletonlibrary@gmail.com to book a month during which you can display your art works.

# Have you tried this author? Simon Scarrow

Simon Scarrow is a popular novelist from the United Kingdom, who is best known for his novels based on the Historical Fiction genre. Till date, he has written a total of 5 novel series' and the most notable novel series written by him is the Eagle Series.

In all, he has written over 30 novels in his career spanning 15 years. Simon was born in Nigeria, but spent most of his growing years in the UK. Before trying his hand at writing novels, he completed his education from the University of East Anglia and obtained his master's degree.

Prior to that, he had to work at the Inland Revenue in order to pay for his graduation. After completing his graduation, Simon began working as a lecturer in the East Norfolk Sixth Form College and later, shifted to City College Norwich. The Eagle Series written by him is based on the Roman Military fiction and is set in the fictional territories of the Roman Empire.

The main historical event described in the series is the second invasion of Britain in the Roman Empire and the resulting campaign undertaken by the Julio-Claudian dynasty to resist the Britishers from doing so. The series consists of a total of 13 books with the 14th one about to be published soon later in the year.

There are nine titles in our collection.



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- Ten books and magazines may be borrowed per membership
- Reserve a book or magazine over the telephone (during Library hours), use our online catalogue, or send us an email
- Renew a book by sending us an email
- Nominate a new book for purchase and be the first to read it
- Purchase pre-read, discounted books at bargain prices at our in-house Book Shop
- Provide a review on a book you have read for other members of the community
- Consider an opportunity to volunteer and be part of a fun team who help organise and run the Library Community Centre.





#### **Member Information**

Annual Membership: Running the Library Community Centre is a costly exercise, so borrowing books, DVDs and audio books requires a small annual membership fee of \$12.

Membership renewals are due in June each year.

#### **Library Borrowing Hours:**

Monday to Friday 1pm—4pm Saturday 9am—12noon

JP Bookings Telephone 5445 7182 to arrange a booking on Monday morning from 8:30am to 11:30am and Thursday 9am to 11am. Other times can be arranged.



'Exploring Tomorrow' with Ben Johnston



**New retail item**—pocket mirrors—only \$5

All different Japanese papers on the back.

#### **MAPLETON BINGO**

# Friday 5 September 9:30am – 11:30am

**\$12 per person** (includes morning tea)

Win cash and other prizes

A fun morning Not just 'heads down' the whole time

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Above: Rachel Rowe with Gillian Kussmann checking our some of the recycled objects. Right: Alison Hardy and Gillian using the trolley purchased last year.

