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Buller District Libraries Newsletter

Westport Genealogy and History Group and the Library are hosting Window on the Past again this year.

A collection of old photos and memorabilia will be on display portraying townships and the life of the Buller District such as Taffytown, Tiroroa, Cousin Jack Town, Cape Foulwind and Addison's Flat to name a few.

The exhibition includes a special selection of photos from Karamea Museum.

The Genealogy Group have some old school photos for which they need assistance in naming the people in them. Come and have a look you may be in them or be able to name some of the people.

Last years display was very popular with 1348 people and 10 school groups coming to view the display during that week. This year we have the display showing for two weeks from the 15th September to 26th September 2008. Schools can book guided tours in advance. Please contact us for group visits via phone 03 788 8030.

On Saturday the 20th September the Genealogy Group will host a Research Day at REAP for the public to come and search their family tree (history). **DON'T MISS OUT THIS YEAR. MARK THE DATES ON THE CALENDER!**



NZ Best Books— Book Exhibition

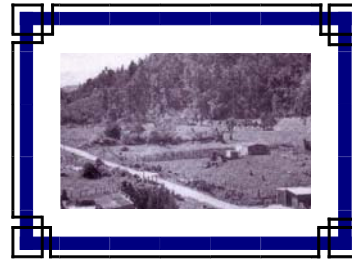
21st July to 8th August 2008

The Montana New Zealand Book Awards are New Zealand's premier awards for contemporary writing.

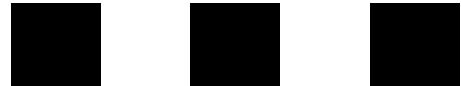
These awards recognise excellence in, and encourage the reading of, the best books published annually in New Zealand. The library is proud of their selection of the finalist titles representing the best NZ books published in 2007. We will have them on display during NZ Book week and they will be available for reserve then. Indulge some of our best made, illustrated and written books and discover the variety of our book publishing industry. The final winners announced end of July surely will deserve our recognition.

And the winners are...

Window on the past - Photo exhibition 15th—27th September 2008



Life and townships of the Buller Country



DVD's & CD's for Reefton library

Just Arrived! New CDs and DVDs for Reefton customers, include western classics like 'The magnificent seven' and some great kids' movies like 'Charlotte's Web'. CDs include 'Memories are made of this' which is a wonderful easy-listening music compilation featuring all-time greats like Dean Martin and Roy Orbison. This collection will be updated regularly in the future, so happy watching and listening!

| Dates to note | |
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| 21. July | Montana Book Awards announced |
| 21. July—8th August | Montana Book Exhibition |
| 8th August | Winter Warmers Finale |
| 8th September | Scrabble Competition |
| 15th—26th September | Windows on the Past—Photo Exhibition |

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Winter time—time for jigsaws 15 new Jigsaws in our collection will keep the jigsaw lovers going through the cold days. You can start with several 500 piece games for beginners and build up to even 3000 pieces. They include “ The Art of James Christensen, “Josephine Wall”, some “Waddingtons” and the popular “WASGIJ”. Put the jug on and challenge yourself!



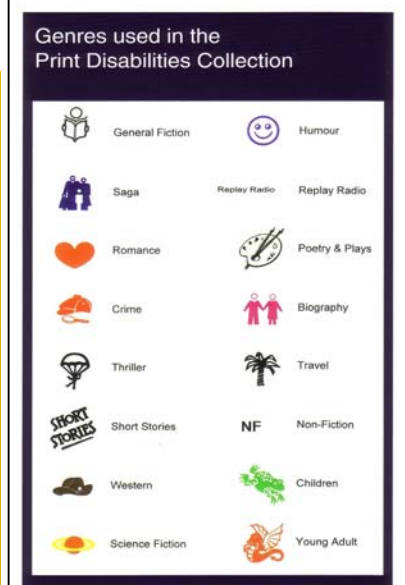
COMING SOON:
Adult Readers Week
SCRABBLE COMPETITION
 On Literacy day
8th September 2008,
10.30am —4.30pm
LIBRARY MEETING ROOM

THE LIBRARY IS LOOKING FOR JIGSAWS FOR KIDS (10—100 pieces). If you have some to give away for free, please contact us!

LIBRARIANS PICK:
„March to the sound of the guns“
by Ray Grover

My choice is a fictional account of New Zealanders in the First World War. “Oh no, not another book about the war!” I hear you say, but this one is rather different. It is one of those books in which fact and fiction have been woven together into a flowing whole, as Harry, Jim, Malone and Nelle leave their relatively straightforward lives in New Zealand to live and suffer through the horrors of Gallipoli, Passchendaele and the Somme. The very first chapter begins with that memorable quote of Robert E. Lee: ‘It is well that war is so terrible. We should grow too fond of it.’ And terrible indeed is the description of carnage and destruction that unfolds, but still more remarkable is the clarity and tenderness with which the author draws us in to the lives of these ordinary New Zealanders, with their own human failings, their loss of hope, and unexpected happiness, fleeting but miraculous. Each person has been given their own unmistakable voice, and because the book begins in 1909, we see something of them before their lives become transformed by the horror of conflict.

Maps throughout are helpful, and the extracts by Siegfried Sassoon, Wilfred Owen and others add another whole dimension to what must become a classic war novel. Ray Grover has announced his intention of taking the story into the 1920s and up to the Second World War – I for one will be eagerly awaiting his efforts. (Kate)



Find your favourite Audio Book. With the help of National Library Disability Services we offer a wide selection of Audio Books. If you ever wondered about the labels on them: They show you the subject genre the story is about, like Romances, Crime or Western.

TIP: Genealogy with “ancestry”- database Ancestry Library Edition(tm) is a new genealogy research tool created for the library market. It provides patrons with instant access to a wide range of unique resources for genealogical and historical research. With more than 1.5 billion names in over 4,000 databases, Ancestry Library Edition includes records from the United States Census; military records; court, land and probate records; vital and church records; directories; passenger lists and more! These collections are continuously expanding, with new content added every business day.. (Access only within the library)

TIP: Grove Music Online Grove Music Online is the most authoritative source of information on all aspects of music, and is invaluable for a wide range of users from school pupils to music lovers, musicians, and scholars.



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These databases and more can be accessed for free on our Aotearoa People’s Network computers.

Call in at the library and book a computer for your research or ask a librarian for help.

Your suggestions & comments



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| Please get more Katie Moraq books | Aren't they gorgeous? Will get some more |
| “Lake in the Clouds” by Sara Donati please | Will have to re-order |
| Carson, Rachal: “The sea around us” | Not listed any more. Will get from overseas |
| Ian Wishart: “The divinity code” | Is on order |
| Any more books by Maya Angelou? | We can get her autobiography. |
| Mark Slouka: “Gods fool” and “Lost lake” | Nice to hear this new author gets readers. Will get his previously published books |
| Books&Audio materials for dyslexic people | Will sort out the market |
| Wanda Brunstetter’s Amish Series | Sorry, these books are not distributed to NZ |
| Can you get Jill Bolte “ My stroke of insight” | Will be ordered |