

Happy Birthday to Stawell Library

Stawell is celebrating the 30th birthday of their library which was purpose built on the corner of Patrick St. and Sloane St. in 1980. They are having a "Birthday Bash" on Sunday 14th March from 3.00 pm. There will be Children's craft activities, face painting, games, a chocolate treasure hunt, sausage sizzle and spiders. Afternoon tea, and birthday cake will be served from 3.30 pm. Come along and join in the fun.



Stawell Library—1980 and now.



Judith Lanigan at Donald and St. Arnaud

Hula hoop virtuosa and historian, author and circus artist Judith Lanigan, knows what she is talking about when she discusses the art and techniques of dealing with an audience and creating characters.

Judith Lanigan was the first Australian to study at the Moscow State Circus school and then created a hula hoop version of a ballet solo originally choreographed by Fokine for Anna Pavlova a hundred years ago.

The "Dying Swan" took her into the piazzas and squares, Big Tops and Burlesque Dives, Theatres and Festivals of Europe, New Zealand and Australia. Judith Lanigan lived to tell the tale in "The True History of the Hula Hoop", published by Picador in 2009. It is also a documentation of her art form and its history.

Judith will be speaking about the process of writing a book, plus her hula hoop skills at:

Donald:
Thursday 18 March—7.30 pm.
The Black Room. Donald Primary School
Open Invitation—supper provided

St. Arnaud:
Friday 19 March—10.30 am
St. Arnaud Library
Light refreshments. Bookings on 5495 2188



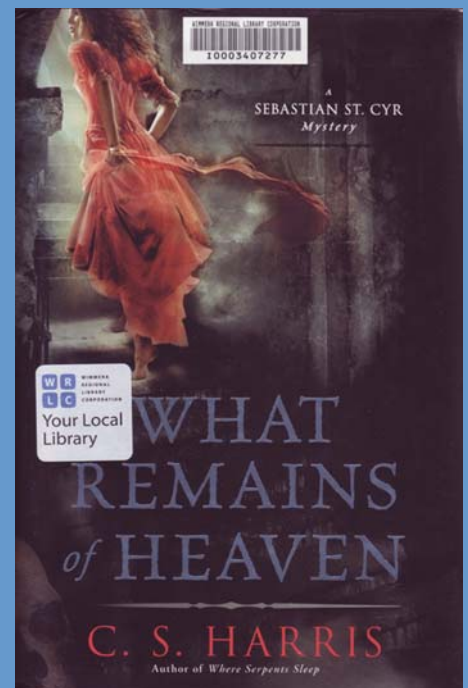
C. S Harris

C.S. Harris presents another gripping mystery set in the glittering yet dangerous world of 1812 London, where nobleman and former spy Sebastian St. Cyr courts personal disaster in his effort to expose a murderer. *What remains of heaven* is the fifth book in the Sebastian St. Cyr series.

The latest request for help — from the Archbishop of Canterbury, no less — is undeniably intriguing: The bodies of two men have been found in an ancient crypt, their violent deaths separated by decades. One is the Bishop of London, the elderly Archbishop's favoured but controversial successor. The identity of the other seems lost in time, although his faded velvet attire marks him as gentleman of the eighteenth century.

In an investigation that leads from the back alleys of Smithfield to the power corridors of Whitehall, Sebastian amasses a list of suspects that ranges from some of the Prince Regent's closest cronies to William Franklin, embittered son of famous American patriot Ben Franklin. And then Sebastian finds himself confronting the well-guarded secrets of his own family's history.

Harris has produced an atmospheric Regency mystery which keeps you enthralled until the last page.



Help with studies: free online Tutoring



Now that the 2010 academic year has started do you know a student who is looking for some assistance with their studies? The library provides all members access to a free, Australian based, online tutoring service.

Your Tutor creates an online classroom where students are connected to qualified, expert tutors for one-to-one help with homework, assignments, exam preparation and study questions.

Tutors are certified teachers, professional tutors, post graduates and advanced undergraduates from Australian universities. They can review specific homework and assignment questions with students on-line, using features such as controlled chat, an interactive white board and shared web browsing.

Subjects covered are:

<p>Mathematics</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yr 4-6 maths Yr 7-10 maths Yr 11-12 general maths Yr 11-12 intermediate maths Yr 11-12 specialist/extension maths <p>Science</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yr 4-6 science Yr 7-10 science Yr 11-12 general science Yr 11-12 biology Yr 11-12 chemistry Yr 11-12 physics <p>English</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yrs 4-12 General English Spelling, grammar, punctuation Essay writing 	<p>Research</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assignment research Society & Environment History, Geography, etc. <p>Study Skills</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Note taking skills Time management Revision techniques
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The Your Tutor service is available between 4.00pm to 8.00 pm Monday to Friday. Look for the Your Tutor icon on the library web page at

Celebrate Harmony Day at Nhill—21 March at 5.00 pm

Do you like stories of faraway lands? Are you curious about other cultures? — this is your chance to listen to some great tales, or better still, you could tell us one! Share a story from your country of origin or an old folk tale passed on to you. Everyone is welcome.

If you would like to participate, then please register your name and story by 15 March at Nhill Library, or just come along to show your support and enjoy the evening. Refreshments provided.

RSVP: 53911684



New Photocopiers



Photocopiers have just been upgraded at the majority of library branches, and now Dimboola, Edenhope, Goroke, Kaniva, Nhill, St. Arnaud and Warracknabeal, as well as Horsham and Stawell are offering colour copying facilities. Prices start from 20c per A4 black & white copy or \$2 for A4 colour.

Storytime & Rhymetime

Looking for something fun to take your children or grandchildren to—Story Time Sessions introduce pre-school children to the joys of books, and include readings of various stories, plus an easy craft activity.

Sessions are held at weekly or monthly at:

- Birchip:** Fortnightly Thu—10.00 am
- Dimboola:** 2nd Wed. of month – 10.30 am
- Edenhope:** 4th Wed. of month –10.00 am
- Goroke:** 4th Mon. of month—10.30 am
- Harrow:** 1st Fri. of month – 10.30 am
- Horsham:** Mon. & Fri.—10.30 am
- St. Arnaud:** 4th Thu. of month—4.05 pm
- Stawell:** Thu. & Fri.—10.30 am
- Warracknabeal:** Alternate Mondays—11.00 am, commencing 15 Feb.



Rhyme Time is a special session for babies aged up to 18 months. It features a mix of songs, music and movement, rhymes and activities especially for baby.

Sessions are held at:

Horsham—1st & 3rd Wednesday of month 10:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

St. Arnaud—fortnightly on Wednesdays, at 3.00 pm – commencing on 17 February 2010

Booking aren't required—just come along and join in the fun!

