

## Youthspective Photography Competition

Submit up to 3 photos that best fit  
the theme: **CONTRAST**



swan hill regional **library**

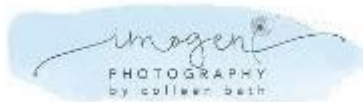
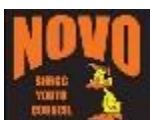
## Youthspective Photography Competition

Swan Hill Regional Library is inviting young people between 12 - 18 years of age from across our region to participate in the **2024 Youthspective Photography Competition**. Entrants are to submit up to three of their best photographs depicting this year's theme, 'Contrast'. If you know any young people interested in photography, please encourage them to enter.

Photographs must be their original work, no Photoshop! There are two age group categories: Judges Choice 12-14 years and Judges Choice 15-18 years. There is also a People's Choice Award in both age groups. All entries must be submitted by 5pm **Friday, 6 September 2024**.

Winners presentations will be made at the Swan Hill Youth Arts Festival on Saturday, 26 October 2024 at 12pm. Winning entries will be displayed at the Swan Hill Regional Art Gallery pop-up gallery in the Swan Hill Library during November 2024 following the presentation. Thank you to our sponsor, NOVO Youth Council.

For more information including conditions of entry see the library website:  
<https://library.swanhill.vic.gov.au/2024/08/youthspective-2024/>



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### AFL Grand Final Eve:

Swan Hill Library will be closed on Friday, 27 September.

## Coming soon

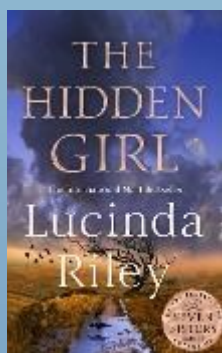
*Dark Wives*  
Ann Cleeves

*Capture or Kill*  
Vince Flynn

*Winter Runaway*  
Katie Flynn

*Lavender Lane*  
Annie Jacobs

*Blood Ties*  
Jo Nesbo



*The Hidden Girl*  
Lucinda Riley

*Counting Miracles*  
Nicholas Sparks

*Golden Lord*  
Mary Jo Putney

*Fire on the Horizon*  
Wilbur Smith

*Midnight and Blue*  
Ian Rankin



## BorrowBox e-audiobook of the month

**Tom Hawkins**  
Tom Hawkins

From a scholarship in 2006 as an under-18, Tom Hawkins's career has been full of accolades, including three times being part of a winning premiership team for Geelong, four McClelland trophies, five all Australian team selections, a Coleman medal in 2020, 11 times being the leading goal-kicker for Geelong and many other accolades.

In Tom Hawkins you will discover what has made him the star player he is, and meet all of the people who have been part of his journey including players, coaches and family. Tom's story is rich with events, people and the development of a winning attitude that has been his mainstay.



## Featured BorrowBox e-book for September

**Read now.**  
Your local library in your pocket.

Thousands of eBooks available to borrow from your local library. Join today.

**BorrowBox.**  
Your library in your app.

**A story of courage and resilience...**

The [BorrowBox](#) campaign title for September is the e-book *The Midnight Library*, by Matt Haig.

Between life and death there is a library. When Nora Seed finds herself in the Midnight Library, she has a chance to make things right. Up until now, her life has been full of misery and regret. She feels she has let everyone down, including herself. But things are about to change.

**For the month of September, simultaneous borrowers can read this title at the same time - perfect for book clubs!**

Find out what's happening at the Library



Visit [library.swanhill.vic.gov.au](http://library.swanhill.vic.gov.au)  
or like us on Facebook or Instagram!





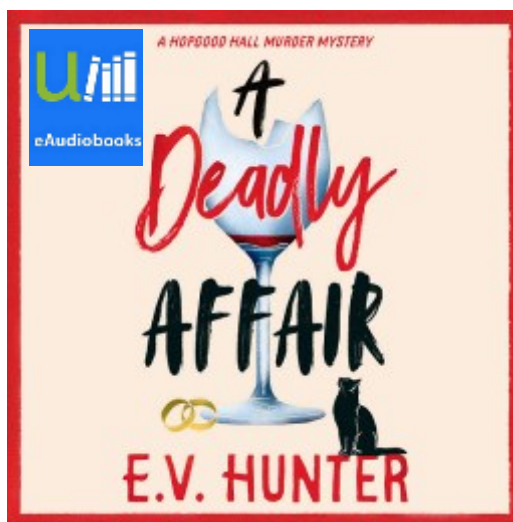
## Library e-audio book of the month

### *A Deadly Affair* E V Hunter

Life at Hopgood Hall is never boring, but Alexi Ellis hopes that there will be no more murders for the time being – she's solved four already and is getting a reputation in the local area for being bad luck.

So when local gossip Polly Pearson arrives at Hopgood hall, Alexi knows this can only mean bad news. Polly has made it clear that she dislikes Alexi, and has campaigned for her to leave Hopgood Hall forever! So what could Polly want?

Then Polly reveals that her partner, Gerry has been found murdered in her B&B and that she is the main suspect!



Alexi, her partner Jack and Cosmo the cat are all left speechless. More so when Polly begs Alexi for help in proving her innocence.

## Digital Resources, free for library members

cloudLibrary NewsStand  
find your favourite magazines!

CL NewsStand

Download on the App Store

GET IT ON Google Play

### cloudLibrary Newsstand

Access 7,000 + digital magazines and newspapers from around the world in 60+ languages. You will need an email address and your library card number to get started.

Browse on a computer or download the app to your phone or tablet from your app store.

Happy reading!

## Discover our latest audiobooks



## Book Chat

Open to people aged 16+, the Book Chat group meets at the Library every second Wednesday of the month, 7pm-8.30pm.

## Knitter Knatters

Knit, crochet, sew & chat! Every Tuesday morning from 10am-12pm.

## Jigsaw Club

Open to people aged 16 +, the Jigsaw Club meets every Thursday from 2pm to 4pm.

## Scrabble club

The Scrabble Club meets every Tuesday, from 2pm to 4pm.

## U3A

Discussion and writing group.

1st & 3rd Thursdays of the month from 11.30 am.

## Toy Library

Borrow toys and educational resources for babies, toddlers and children.

Fridays: 11am to 12pm

Saturday: 10am to 11.30 am

First Wednesday of the month, 11am to 12pm

Contact Sharyn on 0427 847486.





## WHAT HAPPENED TO THE GIRL FROM THE MALLEE



## 'What Happened to the Girl From the Mallee': Book launch & discussion with Jenny Date

"What happened to the Girl From the Mallee" is the memoir of an only child who grew up on an isolated farm in the Mallee. Jenny Date gained her independence as a young teenager and set out to explore what challenges and opportunities the big smoke and the wider world had to offer.

Jenny tells surprising, amazing and amusing stories of more than 75 years of travel, career and everyday life, from the 1950s to present.

Cr Ann Young will officially launch "What Happened to the Girl From the Mallee" at an afternoon tea and book signing with the author.

**Where:** Swan Hill Library - 53 Campbell Street, Swan Hill

**When:** Friday 13 September, 2.00 pm

Bookings preferred. Contact the Swan Hill Library on 5036 2480. Afternoon tea provided.

Book signing & sales available. Books \$25 each.



**Be Connected**

Every Australian online.



**Join us at the Swan Hill Library  
for the September  
Be Connected webinars**

**Tuesday, September 3 -  
Android Phones - 10am to 11am**

**Thursday, September 17 -  
Smart Home technology - 10am to 11am**

**Tuesday, September 19 -  
Government websites - 3pm to 4pm**

Can't make it to the Library but want to join in from home?  
Register for the online safety presentation by scanning the  
QR code and chose the available topic; or going to  
[https://beconnected.esafety.gov.au/online-safety-  
presentations](https://beconnected.esafety.gov.au/online-safety-presentations)





## *Damo Music for Kids*

Join Melbourne based singer, songwriter & children's performer, Damian (Damo) Peck for an interactive song and dance show as he performs songs from his award winning album, 'Find Your Feet'!

Where: Swan Hill Regional Library, 53 Campbell Street, Swan Hill

When: Wednesday, 25 September at 2pm

Age: Fun for the whole family!

Cost: FREE

**Bookings preferred, please contact the library on 03 5036 2480.**



# Teddy Bear Hospital

Teddy Bear Hospital aims to familiarise children to health care environments and medical treatments in a fun and interactive way! Learn about healthy lifestyle behaviours including healthy eating, exercise and good sleep.

Where: Swan Hill Regional Library, 53 Campbell Street, Swan Hill

When: Tuesday, 1 October at 10.30am

Age: Children 5+ years

Cost: FREE

Run by medical students from Charles Sturt University

**Bookings are essential, please contact the library on 03 5036 2480.**



# What's happening at Swan Hill Library these School Holidays...

Library activities are available 23 Sept. - 4 Oct. 2024

To book, contact the library on 5036 2480. Check the Library's Facebook page or newsletter for more details.



## Creation Station - All holidays

**10am - 5.30pm FREE Suitable for children of all ages**

Set up in the children's area of the library for the duration of the school holidays. Children can draw, cut, paste, construct, colour in, complete activity booklets and make all sorts of creations using recycled items including wool, material, coloured paper and more!



## Search & Find - All holidays

**10am - 5.30pm FREE Suitable for children 5+**

Search for and find all the footy posters in the library these school holidays. Receive a reward and go into the draw for a chance to win a \$50 Swan Hill Gift Card! The winner will be drawn on Tuesday, 8 October 2024.

*Proudly sponsored by Swan Hill Inc.*



## Minecraft Monday - Monday, 23 & 30 Sept.

**1pm - 5pm FREE Suitable for children 5+**

Join us for an afternoon of 3D blocking fun! Play in Survival or Creative mode, explore, experiment, create or break apart, it's all up to you! This child-friendly computer game combines exploration and survival skills as it tests children's imagination and creativity. It's like digital LEGO!



## Kids Create: Smoothies - Tuesday, 24 Sept.

**10.30am - 11.30am FREE Suitable for children ages 2 - 5**

Join Swan Hill District Community Health for this healthy, hands-on activity. Children will enjoy listening to a beautiful children's story before making some yummy smoothies!

*Bookings essential.*



## Damo Music for Kids - Wednesday, 25 Sept.

**2pm FREE Suitable for the whole family**

Join Melbourne based singer, songwriter & children's performer, Damian (Damo) Peck for an interactive song and dance show as he performs songs from his award winning album, 'Find Your Feet! Guaranteed to get both children and parents up and dancing! *Bookings preferred.*



## Lego - Thursday, 26 Sept. & Wednesday, 2 Oct.

**2pm - 4pm FREE Suitable for children 3+**

Come along and enjoy the fun with our free Lego @ the Library sessions these school holidays! Complete one of the many challenges or enjoy free-play using your imagination to make a fantastic creation.



Please note: Children under 12 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.



- Youth friendly activities and workshops.



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**Loom Bands - Thursday, 26 Sept. & Wednesday, 2 Oct.**  
**2pm - 4pm FREE Suitable for children 7+**

Have you just discovered loom bands? Or are you already an expert at making all sorts of creative things with them? The library will be holding two free loom band sessions throughout the school holidays. Loom bands, boards and hooks will be supplied to make a range of fantastic jewellery and craft!



**Christmas Card Making - Thursday, 26 September**  
**10.30am - 11.30am FREE Suitable for children 6+**

Get ready to unleash your imagination and craft beautiful cards for Christmas! Whether you make a card for family, friends, or yourself, this activity is perfect for young artists of all skill levels.

Bookings essential.



**Teddy Bear Hospital - Tuesday, 1 Oct.**

**10.30am FREE Suitable for children 5+**

Teddy Bear Hospital aims to familiarise children to health care environments and medical treatments in a fun and interactive way! Learn about healthy lifestyle behaviours including healthy eating, exercise and good sleep. Run by medical students from Charles Sturt University. Don't forget to bring Teddy!

Bookings preferred.



**DIY Wooden Pen Holder - Thursday, 3 Oct.**

**2pm - 3pm FREE Suitable for children 5+**

Join Bella from Bunnings Swan Hill for a fun and creative children's activity! Create a unique wooden pen holder. Imagination is all you need to bring! All decorative materials supplied.

Bookings essential.



**Sand Art - Friday, 4 Oct.**

**2pm - 3pm FREE Suitable for children 5+**

Join Bella from Bunnings Swan Hill for a simple, fun and creative children's activity! Create a unique picture using coloured sand, sticky paper and your imagination!

Bookings essential.



**StoryWalk - All holidays**

**2pm - 3pm FREE Suitable for children of all ages**

Enjoy a family stroll in the glorious spring sunshine as you get into the Grand Final spirit by read 'AFL Dreams' written by Caroline Von Bibra.

Take a picture along the way and tag us on social media

#SHRLSTORYWALK





## Library Outreach Holiday Program

### Lake Boga

Where: Community Park, 25 Murray St

When: Tuesday 24, September 11am-1pm

### Nyah West

Where: The Local Park, Monash Av

When: Wednesday 25, September 11am - 1pm

### Manangatang

Where: The Park and Gardens, Wattle St

When: Thursday 26, September 11am-1pm

Outdoor fun and activities

Free for all ages





## Celebrating Book Week @ Robinvale Library



Pictured enjoying all the Book Week fun at the Robinvale Library are the RDHS playgroup and HIPPY gathering. Many children dressed up as their favourite book characters and enjoyed participating in Move and Groove, stories, craft and making super hero masks.

MVAC also came along and joined in the fun.



## ROBINVALE LIBRARY BOARD GAMES SESSIONS

Fortnightly board game sessions are held at the Robinvale Library. Aimed at Young Adults, but all ages are welcome.

Bring some friends with you or make some new ones!



### Dates:

4 September

18 September

### Time:

4pm to 6pm



## **What's happening at Robinvale Library these School Holidays...**

Library activities are available during the Victorian and NSW school holidays.

To book, contact the Robinvale library on 5036 2461 or check the Library's Facebook page or newsletter for more details.



### **Monday 23rd of September**

**Any time between 2pm to 6pm**

Let's kick off our Spring holidays with colourful flower sun catchers. Choose from a variety of flowers to decorate.



### **Wednesday, 25th of September**

**Any time between 2pm to 6pm**

Join us as we create a gorgeous flapping butterfly craft, kids of all ages will enjoy the butterfly flapping its wings like a real butterfly.



### **Thursday 26th of September**

**Move and Groove at the Library - 10am**

Be ready to shake and dance your sillies out with a session of action songs and story time.

**Storytime at the Library - 11am**

Join us as we read a story and create a 3D hot air balloon with any colour you like.



### **Saturday 28th of September**

**Storytime at the Library - 10.30am**

It's AFL Grand final day! Come in for an Aussie Rules story time and craft activity.

**Board Games and Lego available every day during the holidays**



## **What's happening at Robinvale Library these School Holidays...**

Library activities are available for the entire Victorian and NSW school holidays. To book, contact the Robinvale library on 5036 2461 or check the Library's Facebook page or newsletter for more details.



### **Monday, 30th of September**

**Any time between 2pm to 6pm**

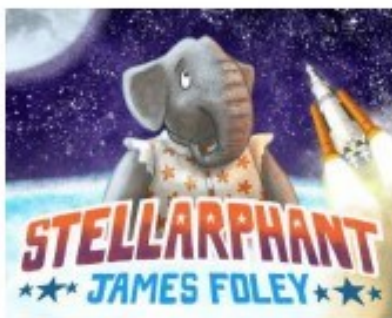
Celebrate Space Week at the Library! We are making straw rockets - how high will they fly?



### **Wednesday, 2nd of October**

**Any time between 2pm to 6pm**

Explore the different phases of the moon with this simple but super fun Space Week craft.



### **Thursday 3rd of October**

**Move and Groove at the Library - 10am**

Be ready to shake and dance your sillies out with action songs and story

**Storytime at the Library - 11am**

Zoom, zoom, zoom! We're going to the moon! Space themed storytime and craft activities



### **Saturday 5th of October**

**Storytime at the Library - 10.30am**

Come in and enjoy a story about our furry friends as we recognise World Animal Day!

**Board Games and Lego available every day during the holidays**

Storytime

Friday at 3.30pm

Storytime and craft in a fun learning environment.

Games Afternoon

Friday 3pm to 6.30pm

All ages welcome!



**Story time at  
the Barham Library**

**FREE  
ACTIVITY  
FOR KIDS**

Join us for story time in the Barham Library as we read  
**FOOTPRINT**  
By Phil Cummings & Sally Soweol Han

**Saturday 14 September  
10.30am - 11.30am.**

After the story you can celebrate the arrival of Spring by painting your own flowerpot to take home and plant some seeds in - then you can watch the seeds grow into beautiful flowers!

All ages welcome.

Call us on 03 5480 1587.  
Or visit the Library:  
15 Murray St Barham.



**Tech Savvy Seniors**

Tech Savvy Seniors sessions have commenced once again in August with some very enthusiastic participants. There is still a couple of places free so anyone interested should call or drop into the library.

**Be Connected & Digital Mentoring**

We continue to take bookings for Digital help for people with their devices etc. through our partnership with Be Connected and the Digital Mentoring program and we welcome all enquiries.

**Protect Yourself Against Scams**

A live-stream presentation called "Protect yourself against scams", hosted by the eSafety Commissioner, was held at the Barham library on 20 August 2024. The hour-long presentation showed participants how to protect their personal information from scammers, how to safely make friends online, how to spot investment scams and where to go to for help.





# Barham Library News

## Move & Groove

Move & Groove has once again seen the children enjoy some lovely stories read by Joy our wonderful volunteer along with creating some beautiful craft.



## Saturday Storytime

Our August Saturday Storytime participants enjoyed the story "Bear Moves" by Ben Bailey-Smith, which was followed with the children creating their own mosaic disco ball.



Saturday 14 September will be our next Storytime with the feature story "Footprint" by Phil Cummings and Sally Soweol Han. To celebrate the onset of Spring the children will then decorate a ceramic flowerpot to take home and plant some provided seedlings in. (see flyer on page 14)

## Book Writing Competition

Barham library has been fortunate to have the honour of displaying the winning entries from the Barham Public and Koondrook Primary School's Book Writing Competition, held for Book Week.



## Young Mentors program

The Barham High School is collaborating with our library to undertake the Young Mentors program during term three. The sessions commenced on Friday 16 August. All mentors and mentees have been enjoying the interaction with lots of valuable tips coming from the mentors.

## Cryptic Crossword Fun!

The Cryptic Crossword workshops have been running every Friday afternoon at 1.30pm. Participants are enjoying learning the tricks to easily solve these elusive puzzles whilst enjoying each other's company. iPads are available for use. Afternoon tea is available.



**BARHAM LIBRARY**

## Social Book Chat

Every Tuesday at 11am

Bring along a coffee and the book you're currently reading (instant coffee is also available).

Chat about what's a good read or just listen in.

## Move and Groove

Thursday at 10.30am

Songs, dance, storytime and craft for toddlers and pre-schoolers!

## Saturday Storytime

Second Saturday of the month at 10.30 am

Storytime and craft in a fun learning environment.

## Cryptic Crosswords

Friday at 1.30pm. iPads are available for use. Afternoon tea supplied.



# Nourishing Little Minds @ the Swan Hill Library

Swan Hill District Community Health & Swan Hill Regional Library are running a four week 'Nourishing Little Minds' program at the Swan Hill Library during August and September, helping children explore and enjoy healthy food. The program includes stories, interactive songs & rhymes. Food preparation and tasting is provided by an Accredited Practicing Dietician.



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