

# Mātauranga Ruapehu District Council Libraries



...where adventure begins!

May 2009

Monthly newsletter of what's on & what's new in your local library.

**Mātauranga:** noun; 1. education 2. knowledge 3. wisdom 4. understanding 5. skill

**What's Up?** Welcome to issue two of 'Matauranga', the Ruapehu District Libraries monthly newsletter.

It was fantastic seeing so many of our younger readers coming in throughout the school holidays, borrowing heaps of books and enjoying our various school holiday activities.

We'd love to have some feedback on what you think of our newsletter, and any suggestions of what you like to see included in 'Matauranga'.

If you would like to receive this newsletter via email, please email [taum.library@ruapehudc.govt.nz](mailto:taum.library@ruapehudc.govt.nz) or talk to your local Library staff.

Catch you next month

Shane

## Ohakune Book Club

Donna Calder from Ohakune Library is setting up a great new book club, based around what the participants themselves would enjoy!

Want to know more? Head along to the first meeting at 7pm on 13 May at the Ohakune Library. It's sure to satisfy.

**New!**

## As Good as it Gets

**TEMPLE**

**MATTHEW REILLY**

Do you enjoy a great read? Books that have you on the edge of your seat? Stories that keep you up all night, turning pages in anticipation of the next twist, the next unforeseen event, the next dead end alley or dirty watery grave? Do you want heroes that are heroic in deed and manner, villains who really, really deserve a nasty end and mysteries that are intriguing, frightening and wondrous in their breath?

Enter the world of Matthew Reilly. Mr Reilly writes stories that are a rollercoaster ride of tension and thrills. His mysteries move seamlessly through time, uniting the ancient with the modern, the end of the world with the beginning of history, along with a breath of the supernatural (or extraterrestrial – I'll leave you to make up your mind).

Mr Reilly's books are well written and well researched, and he is a master storyteller. The stories are usually complicated, and finely crafted, with great characters (both good and evil), interesting plots that are full of twists and often unexpected happenings. The stories hang together, engaging the reader fully, while remaining not quite believable, but somehow, in the tradition of Indiana Jones, this doesn't matter.

Check out his books at your local library. Try Temple, a great stand alone novel, or Ice Station, Scarecrow and Area Seven, featuring the cool and calm Coleman, or his latest series, starting with Seven Ancient Wonders and enjoy a remarkable storyteller.

Pauline Love

## TOP 10 Romance

Have you read the most popular Romances during April?

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|----|---------------------|-------------------|
| 1  | Rumour Has It       | Jill Mansell      |
| 2  | The Third Circle    | Amanda Quick      |
| 3  | The Land of Summer  | Charlotte Bingham |
| 4  | Vision of Seduction | Cassie Ryan       |
| 5  | Hotter than Hell    | Jackie Kessler    |
| 6  | One Day at a Time   | Danielle Steel    |
| 7  | Born Bad            | Josephine Cox     |
| 8  | Palace Circle       | Rebecca Dean      |
| 9  | Taking Chances      | Susan Lewis       |
| 10 | How Will I Know?    | Sheila O'Flanagan |

## MEMO

Did you know...

We are now able to send overdue reminder notices via email! If you would like to take advantage of this new service, please register your email address with Library staff or email [taum.library@ruapehudc.govt.nz](mailto:taum.library@ruapehudc.govt.nz)

## Gone Tomorrow, Lee Child

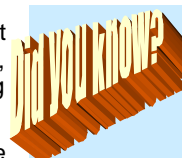


Retired Military Police Officer Jack Reacher is back in Lee Child's latest heart-stopping thriller.

The book opens with Jack Reacher, travelling across New York City on the subway late at night. Reacher easily spots suicide bombers as due to his Military background he knows the giveaway signs to look out for. While watching one of his fellow passengers, Reacher is able to tick off each of the twelve giveaways.

If Jack rushes the suicide bomber, she will detonate the bomb. If he ignores her, she will still detonate the bomb. His only option is to try to talk her out of it. Trouble is he is not a man of words, he is a man of action. Can Jack Reacher stop the suicide bomber, or is there much more to the situation than meets the eye?

Read more, get the book from the Library!



... The Octopus has three hearts, and can fit through a hole the size of a 20 cent piece.

... The world's longest book is called 'The Blah Story', by Nigel Tomm, with over 7,300 pages!

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Have a great month from Kamu, Shane, Claire, Judith, Donna, Moira, Pam and Kelly

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## What's On?

### Pyjama Party



Come along to Ohakune or Taumarunui Libraries in your pyjamas, drink hot chocolate and listen to some awesome stories.

Aimed at 6-10yr olds. 5.30pm Friday 15 May.

Please contact Library staff and let them know if you're coming.

## Look for the Signs Learn to talk with your hands!

We have some special visitors coming to Ohakune and Taumarunui Libraries who will teach us about Sign Language!

Did you know it is actually an official language of New Zealand?

Keep an eye out for more information.



## New Books

### Māori Ihirangi

- Comet and the Champion's Cup, Stacy Gregg
- Breaking Free, Tim Bowler
- Identity Theft, Carolyn Keene
- Mudpuddle Farm, Michael Morpurgo
- Saffron, Victoria Azaro
- Way to Play, Michele Cox

### Māori Orqōilfwhiq

- The Big Bug Book, Barbara Taylor
- Caesar: the True Story of a Canine ANZAC Hero, Patricia Stroud
- The Crafting of Narnia
- The Donkey who Carried the Wounded, Jackie French
- The Encyclopaedia of Birds
- The Fields of Grief, Fiona Watt
- My Secret Diary, Jacqueline Wilson
- Te Kete Kupu: 300 Essential Words in Maori, Maraea Hunia
- Wearing the Poppy, By A.J Toledo

## Animal Quiz

BRING YOUR ANSWERS TO RUAPEHU LIBRARIES BY 31 MAY TO BE IN THE DRAW TO WIN ONE OF THREE GREAT PRIZES

All answers can be found at the Libraries

1. Are whales cold blooded or warm blooded?
2. What is the largest land mammal?
3. What is the largest shark?
4. Under which dewey number would you find a book on penguins?
5. What is unusual about the platypus?

## Animal Wordfind

T	A	R	C	A	T	Q	O	F	L
N	P	D	S	H	E	E	P	J	D
A	H	C	U	L	O	R	D	H	R
H	F	O	Z	F	G	R	S	J	B
P	N	W	P	B	T	I	S	Z	X
E	U	D	O	G	F	A	R	E	P
L	Z	W	F	D	Q	B	G	T	L
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E	M	O	N	K	E	Y	K	D	O
H	G	S	A	I	M	G	J	T	N

Find These Words

- Cat
- Cow
- Dog
- Elephant
- Goldfish
- Horse
- Lion
- Monkey
- Sheep

