Never say die by Fiona Crawford

This book shows how Australian Women’s Football has been one hundred years in the making. It shares stories of triumph and tales of heartbreak and obstacles that seem insurmountable.

GN/CRAW

1956: the year Australia welcomed the world by Nick Richardson

Was the 1950’s really as dull as people claim? Apparently not and 1956 was the most exciting. It was the year Melbourne hosted the Summer Olympics, the year Television arrived in Australia and it was the year that Menzies dealt with the Suez Crisis.

GE/RICH

Trotsky’s favourite spy: the life of George Alexander Hill by Peter Day

A British spy who befriended Trotsky during the Russian Revolution, smuggled the Romanian crown jewels out of the Soviet Union and was the link between Churchill’s Special Operations Executive and Stalin’s secret service.

GK/DAY

The Beauty of Books directed by Michael Waterhouse

On the DVD there are 4 episodes which are 30 minutes each in length. The episodes cover: ancient Bibles, medieval masterpieces, illustrated books and paperbacks.

I really enjoyed learning more about the history of books and how they have developed through the ages: from hand written scrolls to manuscripts, printing press books to the mass production of paperbacks, and finally digital publications.

There was some very interesting information. One, is that the British Library in London is home to 14 million books, on shelves that stretch over 600 kms. Another is the “Codex Sinaiticus”. This is an ancient Bible with the oldest complete New Testament in the world. It was published in the 4th Century CE and each page has many revisions. It even throws into question whether Christ did rise from the dead.

There was a fascinating story in the illustrated books episode about Lewis Carroll, who wrote “Alice in Wonderland”. It was interesting how he came up with the story, on a boat trip with friends. “Alice in Wonderland” is also the most illustrated book in history with many illustrators attempting to depict the characters, including Lewis Carroll himself. The series also has some stunning pictures from old manuscripts, like the Winchester Bible. Each page has beautiful illuminations made from real gold and blue Lapis Lazuli. It is well worth having a look at “The Beauty of Books”. I thoroughly recommend it.

DVD 028/BEAU
Square metre gardening: grow more in less space: Stagger your harvest to suit your needs by Mel Bartholomew
Not enough space to garden? Can you spare one square meter? Practical advice to get you started on a vegetable garden.
635/BART

Murder past due by Miranda James
As a cat lover and working in a library, I couldn’t resist picking up this book. Charlie Harris is a librarian in a small town called Athena. He has a Maine Coon cat named Deasil and they solve mysteries. Enjoyed this so much I have read the next four in the series.
F/JAME

Five Bells by Gail Jones
Five Bells is a novel by Australian author Gail Jones. The language is sparse and beautiful. She describes Sydney so well it makes me miss it, especially the harbour. It is about four adults and their stories and is told over one day. A child enters the story and overshadows everything.
F/JONE
Shambler guide to New York City by Mur Lafferty

Zoe Norris has found the perfect job as a travel writer. There is one thing that is holding her back – she is human. Zoe’s assignment is to write a guide to New York for the undead. Zoe may lose her job and her life as the balance between human and monsters start to crumble.

S/LAFF BK.1

Bloodstone by Nancy Holzner

Boston’s diverse South End isn’t known for its body count, so when mutilated human corpses keep turning up the city takes notice. There is no suggestion that the killings were the work of a paranormal culprit, but the deaths are straining the already tense relations between human and inhuman residents.

S/HOLE BK.3

Magic bites by Ilona Andrews

Kate Daniels is a mercenary who deals with problems caused by magic. Kate’s guardian is murdered, and as she looks for justice, she is drawn into power struggles by two strong factions within the magic circles – the Masters of the Dead and the shape changer group called the Pack.

S/ANDR BK.1

In a fix by Linda Grimes

Ciel Halligan is an aura adaptor extraordinaire, a kind of human chameleon. She is trying to snag a wedding proposal for her client, but things don’t go to plan. The island resort bungalow is blown to smithereens and the client’s intended fiancé is snatched by modern day Vikings. Ciel suspects that getting the ring is going to be harder than she anticipated.

S/GRIM BK.1

Murder of crows by Anne Bishop

Meg Corbyn has gained the trust of the “Others” residing in the Lakeside Courtyard. Humans at best were barely tolerated prey, but Meg’s abilities as a Cassandra Sangue makes her something more. Meg has a dream about blood and black feathers in the snow. Is this a dream of a past attack or of a future threat?

S/BISH BK.2

Blood song by Cat Adams

Celia Graves is guarding a prince from a small, but politically important nation as he visits the seedier hot spots of Los Angeles. While there Celia is attacked by a master vampire, and she is transformed into an “Abomination” not fully human nor fully immortal. She had glimpsed a demon while being attacked and now she has three days to save the world.

S/ADAM BK.1
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