

Join a book club

The Mandurah Libraries offers book clubs that meet at the Mandurah Library, Falcon eLibrary and Community Centre and Lakelands Library and Community Centre once a month. Each meeting lasts for two hours and it will cost Book Clubs \$25 each time you attend a book club meeting, which allows us to continually update our book club collections.

There are also many private book clubs in the Mandurah area that use the Libraries' book club collections.

Contact 9550 3650 or manlib@mandurah.wa.gov.au to find out more information.

New members

Welcome to the Mandurah Library Book Club! Our monthly meetings are intended to be fun, inspiring and non-threatening. You are not going to love every choice, but some of the least popular books have created the best discussions, so come with an open mind!

Each club has a maximum of ten members and each month one member chooses a book from the book club collection and members read the same book. At the meeting when your book is discussed, you are encouraged to present some reviews of the book, information on the author and guide the discussion.

Book club Collection

The Mandurah Libraries have book club collections of selected titles which are hired out to private book clubs. Each collection contains 10 copies of the book and several book reviews. Each set costs \$25 per group and your book club must become a member of the Mandurah Libraries. For more information contact 9550 3650 or manlib@mandurah.wa.gov.au.

Tips on being a good book club member

- **Read the book and attend the meetings**
- **Collect and read book reviews and recommendations.** Be willing to read books that aren't your type.
- **Practice courteous group behaviour:** be on time, take turns talking, listen, disagree tactfully, contribute, but don't dominate, keep to the point, and steer the group back from side trips.
- **Be prepared for discussion even if you aren't leading it:** do a little research on unfamiliar subjects, write down your reactions and questions as you read, and bring your notes to meetings. Push yourself beyond saying 'I liked it' or 'I didn't like it'. Trust your opinions, and support them with passages from the book.
- **Agree that you can disagree about books:** try to understand other opinions and viewpoints, especially when you disagree with them. Don't take different opinions personally. Don't try to force your group to agree on a 'right answer' - fiction and often non-fiction is open to individual interpretation.
- **Enjoy yourself:** be challenged by the interaction and discussion with fellow book lovers.



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Book club collections by title

Fiction

A Long Way from Home, Peter Carey
Accident, Chris Pavone
American Dirt, Jeanine Cummins*
Any Ordinary Day, Leigh Sales
The Art of Racing in the Rain, Garth Stein
Be Frank with me, Julia Claiborne Johnson
Beneath the Shadows, Sara Foster
Big Little Lies, Liane Moriarty
The Blazing World, Siri Hustvedt
Bloodlines, Nicole Sinclair
The Book Thief, Markus Zusak
Boy Swallows Universe, Trent Dalton*
Burial Rites, Hannah Kent
Catcher in the Rye, J.R. Salinger
The Dictionary of Lost Words, Pip Williams*
Dinner at the Homesick Restaurant, Anne Tyler
The Dressmaker, Rosalie Ham
The Dry, Jane Harper
Eleanor Oliphant is completely fine, Gail Honeyman
Extinctions, Josephine Wilson
The Female Persuasion, Meg Wolitzer
Flight Behaviour, Barbara Kingsolver
Flowers for Algernon, Daniel Keyes
The Girl on the Train, Paula Hawkins
The Golden Age, Joan London
Gone Girl, Gillian Flynn
Good Girl Bad Girl, Michael Robotha*
The Good People, Hannah Kent
The Handmaid's Tale, Margaret Atwood
Honeybee, Craig Silvey*
The Immortalists, Chloe Benjamin
The Last Migration, Charlotte McConaghy*
The Last Painting of Sara de Vos, Dominic Smith
Line of Sight, David Whish-Wilson
Lincoln in the Bardo, George Saunders
The Miracle Life of Edgar Mint, Brady Udall
Miss Carter's War, Sheila Hancock

The Mystery Woman, Belinda Alexandra*
My Salinger year, Joanna Rakoff
Nine Days, Toni Jordan
The 100-Hundred Year Old Man Who Climbed Out
the Window and Disappeared, Jonas Jonasson
The Other Side of You, Sally Vickers
The Paperbark Shoe, Goldie Goldbloom
Plain Truth, Jodi Picoult
The Rosie Project, Graeme Simsion
The rúin, Dervla McTiernan
Sound : a novel, Sarah Drummond
The Sense of an Ending, Julian Barnes
The Shepherd's Hut, Tim Winton
The Spill, Imbi Neeme*
Strangers on a train, Patricia Highsmith
A Gentleman in Moscow, Amor Towles
Talk of the Town, Rachael Johns
The tattooist of Auschwitz, Heather Morris
The Truth about the Harry Quebert Affair, Joel
Dicker
Tin Man, Sarah Winman
A Town like Alice, Neville Shute
Truly Madly Guilty, Liane Moriarty
Wake in Fright, Kenneth Cook
Where my heart used to beat, Sebastian Faulks
Where the Crawdad's Sing, Delia Owens*
The Whites, Harry Brandt
Wolfe Island, Lucy Treloar*

Non-fiction

**Barney Greatrex : from bomber command to the
French Resistance, Michael Veitch**
The Bird Market of Paris: A Memoir, Nikki Moustaki
Beyond the Vapour Trail, Brett Pierce
The Convicts Daughter, Kiera Lindsey
**Diamonds and Dust, Cheryl Mccorry with Bruce L
Russell**
**Don't Tell Mum I Work on the Oil Rigs She Thinks
I'm a Piano Player in a Whorehouse, Paul Carter**
Emergencies Only, Amanda McClelland
The End of Your Life Book Club, Will Schwalbe
Going back, Munjed Al Muderis*
Gotta Get Theroux This, Louis Theroux*
The Happiest Refugee, Anh Do
In love with Betty the crow, Robyn Williams
**The land before avocado : journeys in a lost
Australia, Richard Glover***
Lion, Saroo Brierley with Larry Buttrose
Mister Owita's Guide to Gardening, Carol F Wall
A Mother's Story, Rosie Batty*
My Story: A Path to Courage, Kate Campbell
Not My Father's Son, Alan Cummings
**Priscilla: The Hidden Life of an Englishwoman in
Wartime France, Nicholas Shakespeare**
The road from Coorain, Jill Ker Conway
**The Rugmaker of Mazar-e-Sharif, Najaf Mazari and
Robert Hillman**
The Trauma cleaner, Sarah Krasnostein
Shuggie Bain, Douglas Stuart*
**Songs of a War Boy, Deng Thiak Adut with Ben
Mckelvey**
**Truths from an unreliable witness: a memoir, Fiona
O'Loughlin***
When We Were Young and Foolish, Greg Sheridan
Women of a Certain Age, Jodie Moffat

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