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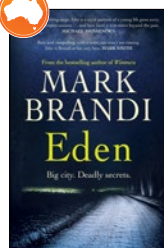


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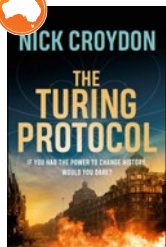


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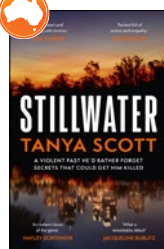


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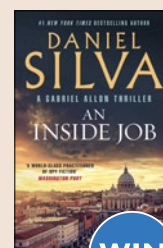
STILLWATER

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After years away from home, Luke crosses paths with Gus Alberici – the brutal criminal he worked for as a

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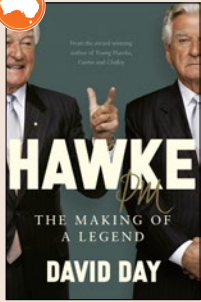
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Last Campaign tells the story of Operation OBOE, the massive, three-pronged assault on the vast Japanese-held island of Borneo in 1945. It was one of the largest amphibious invasions of the entire war, and a virtually all-Australian operation.



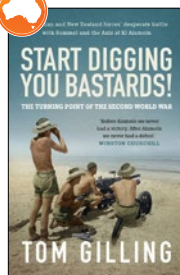
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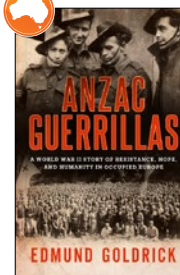
START DIGGING, YOU BASTARDS!

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The gripping story of Australians' and New Zealanders' key role defeating the Axis in North Africa – a true turning point of World War II. Bestselling author Tom Gilling recounts

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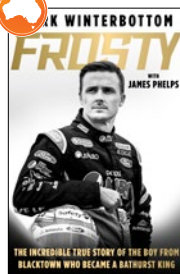
ANZAC GUERRILLAS

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When the Germans took thousands of Allied prisoners during the catastrophic Greek campaign of 1941, a handful of Australian soldiers escaped from prison trains in occupied Yugoslavia. *Anzac Guerrillas*

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with James Phelps

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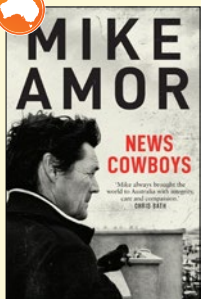
KING OF THE DESERT

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Nick Arley, a 55-year-old public servant from Canberra, sets out on a motorcycling odyssey to break a Guinness World Record. Nick, with just his Suzuki motorbike for company, begins an insane trek across Australia's

ten harsh and isolated deserts, pushing himself physically, mentally and emotionally, completely alone and unassisted.



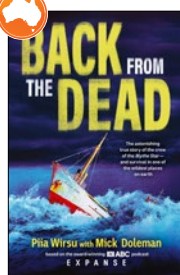
NEWS COWBOYS

Mike Amor

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News cowboys – the nickname reporters and camerapeople at Seven Network's LA bureau jokingly gave themselves as they headed off on assignments, not knowing what to expect and often unprepared for what they found. It was a way of

coping, of not taking too seriously what was often deadly serious, as they witnessed some of the worst moments in recent world history. For 18 years Mike Amor was one of those journalists, but the mental and physical toll was incalculable. He recounts these experiences, but also takes on the big questions: Why do foreign correspondents do this job?



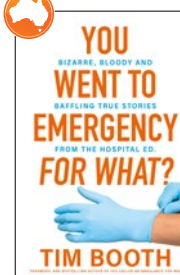
BACK FROM THE DEAD

Piia Wirsu with
Mick Doleman

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The incredible true story of the 1973 Blythe Star disaster, which left ten men, shipwrecked and alone, on the wild Southern Ocean off Tasmania. Almost two weeks later they were

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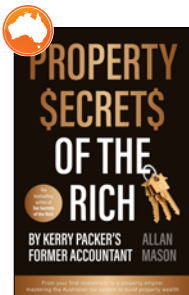


EXPLORE AUSTRALIA 2026

Hardie Grant Explore
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The 42nd edition of the country's longest-running and most trusted travel guide, featuring more than 700 destinations across the country – from big cities to rural towns and coastal

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PROPERTY SECRETS OF THE RICH

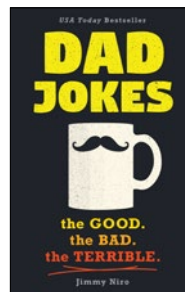
Allan Mason

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This book will teach you how to navigate the complex world of property investment in Australia to secure a comfortable retirement income.

Whether you're a first-time buyer or a seasoned investor, *Property Secrets of the Rich* offers tailored advice specific to various life stages, from early working age to retirement. A must-read for anyone looking to achieve financial independence through property investment.



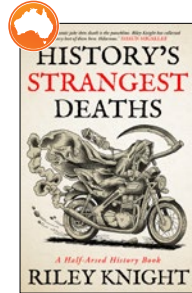
DAD JOKES

Jimmy Niro

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With over 600 knee-slappers, head-shakers, and groan-makers, *Dad Jokes* is packed with enough witty quips for even the most embarrassing of dads. Perfect for the father experts, new dads, and all the fathers-to-be, this

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HISTORY'S STRANGEST DEATHS

Riley Knight

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True stories of extraordinary deaths throughout history to the modern day from the host of the popular *Half-Arsed History* podcast. From a classical Greek playwright killed by a tortoise dropping

out of the sky to an ancient Chinese duke falling into a toilet - there are countless absurdly strange deaths from across history.



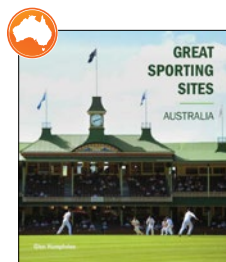
CONSPIRACY NATION

Ariel Bogle & Cam Wilson

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'There are microchips in vaccines'; '5G spreads COVID-19'; 'the Australian government is hiding a list of predators' – it's easy to dismiss these as fringe concerns or

imported concepts, but conspiratorial ideas are gaining traction with everyday Australians, and being wielded by those in power. Journalists Ariel Bogle and Cam Wilson explore the devastating consequences of unchecked lies and radicalisation.



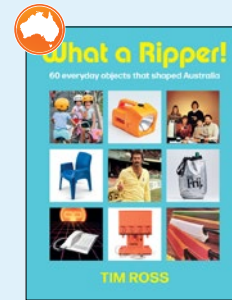
GREAT SPORTING SITES: AUSTRALIA

Edited by Glen Humphries

Hardback RRP \$39.99

Great Sporting Sites: Australia showcases the iconic fields, racetracks, and stadiums that reflect the nation's

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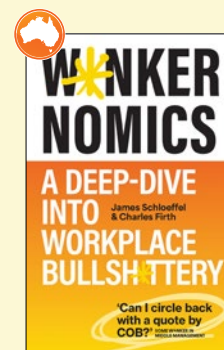
WHAT A RIPPER!

Tim Ross

Hardback RRP \$39.99

There are certain memories that will be familiar to anyone who grew up in Australia between the 1960s and the 1990s. Things like traipsing to the caravan-park toilet

with a Dolphin torch at night, indulging in crème de menthe from a Regis glass, lobbing a banana peel at a Nylex flip-top bin and sporting a new Stackhat while riding your BMX bike. Celebrating 60 objects that were designed and made in Australia, comedian and self-described design nerd Tim Ross takes a nostalgic look at these iconic objects.



W*NKERNOMICS

James Schloeffel & Charles Firth

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A laugh-out-loud handbook and parody of the working world. Written by comedians James Schloeffel and Charles Firth, this business self-help 'guide' teaches readers how to outmanoeuvre their colleagues and

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READ WITH DAD



HOW TO TRAIN A DAD

Sally Barns & Noémie Gionet Landry (illus)

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We'll start with the basics, like tea parties and bear hugs. Soon you'll unlock trickier features, like dad jokes. (But be careful - some of these features are hard to switch off!) **Age: 4+**



MY FATHER'S ARMS

Toni D'Alia & Mimi Purnell

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From bestselling Australian creators Toni D'Alia and Mimi Purnell comes a joyous celebration of all the gentle, tender,

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TO BE YOUR DAD

Josh Pyke & Inge Daniels (illus)

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What does it mean to be your dad? It means jokes are more gigglesome, cuddles more warm, an 'I love you' more soul-deeply

true. It means the universe never held so many wonders, the most wondrous of all being you.

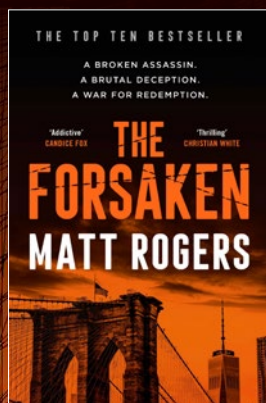
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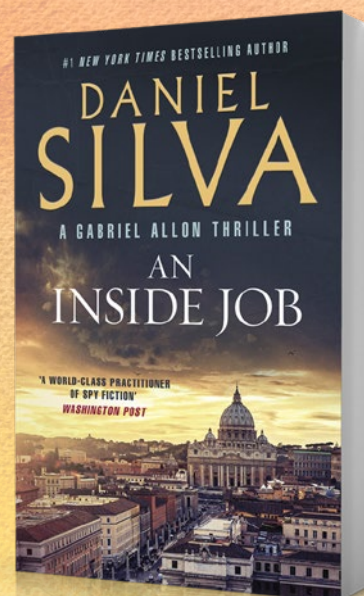
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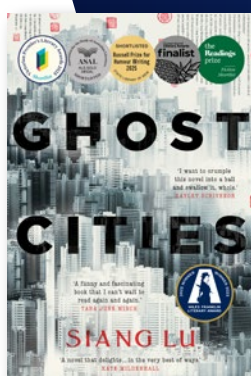
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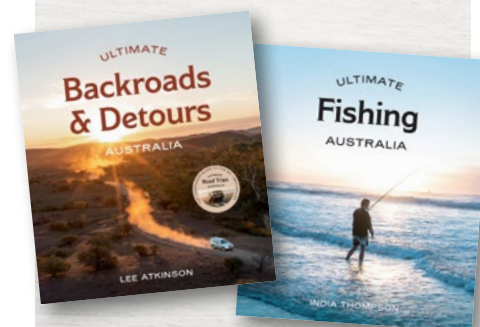
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