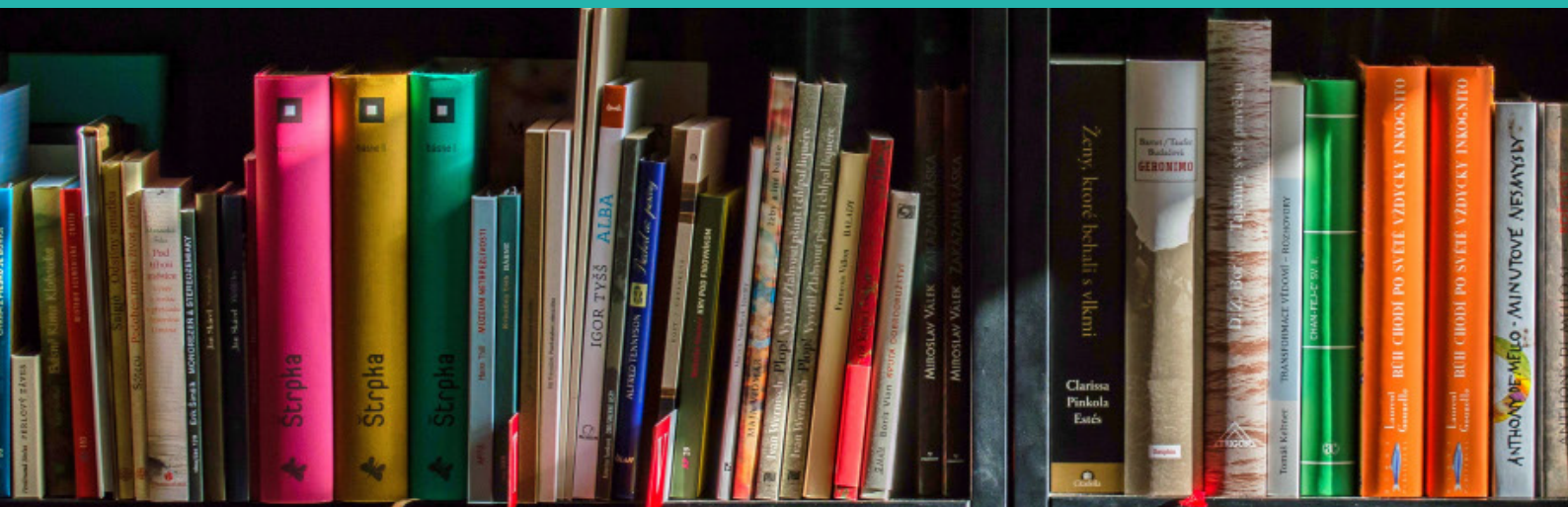




LIBRARY CORNER

RLQ & SMALL LIBRARIES WORKSHOP ~ BLACKALL 2025 ~

At the beginning of last month, librarians from inland Queensland emerged from their book stacks to gather in Blackall and discuss ~ *Important Library Matters* ~. Our conversations primarily revolved around:

- 🤫 Effective shushing techniques
- 🧶 Cozy cardigans
- 🐱 The joys of cats
- ∞ Spectacle chains

**JUST
KIDDING!**



We focused on enhancing the awesomeness of libraries and how we can better serve our towns and the broader community. Have you visited your local library? We'd love to hear your ideas! 🧠💡

The sessions sparked fresh ideas around using local and regional strengths, State Library of Queensland resources, and creative thinking to deliver meaningful, accessible, and free services for all ages and abilities. From online apps and inclusive tech to hands-on school holiday fun and expanding our collections beyond books, we're working on programming that reflects your needs and interests.

Some of our best programs — like Lego at the Roma Show, RomaCon with headspace, the Junior Job Fair with CUC, and Wildlife Chat & Pats with MWCEC — have grown from great community conversations.

So tell us — what would you love to see in your library?
Drop in. share an idea. or start a conversation. We're all ears!

"In the winter she curls
up around a good book and dreams
away the cold."
– Ben Aaronovich

**ALL TITLES AVAILABLE
FROM YOUR LOCAL LIBRARY**

chill out



**with a
bone chilling
cold weather
read!**

**YOUNG ADULT &
DETECTIVE NOVELS &
HISTORICAL FICTION &
RURAL ROMANCES &
THRILLERS &
CHILDREN'S &
MYSTERIES &
WESTERNS &
LGBTIQ+ &
SCIENCE FICTION &
GRAPHIC NOVELS &
SO MUCH MORE**



**HOW
DO YOU
LIBRARY?**

#howdoyoulibrary



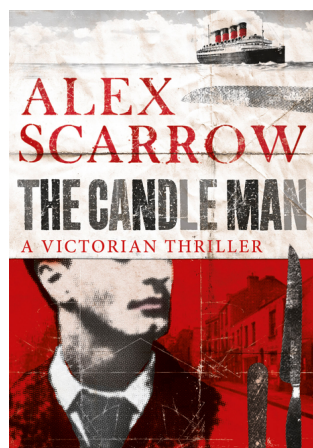
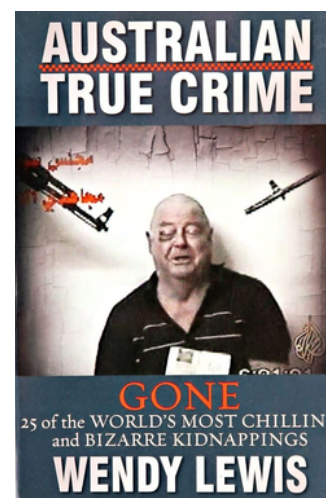
Goosebumps/ R.L. Stine

Discover the original bone-chilling adventures that made Goosebumps one of the best-selling children's book series of all time! Something scary is happening in Goosebumps HorrorLand.



Gone : 25 of the world's most chilling and bizarre kidnappings / Wendy Lewis

Gone is a fresh approach to an age-old crime; an easily accessible collection of true crime stories that will engross anyone fascinated by human nature and the volatile world we live in..



The Candle Man / Alex Scarrow

1912. Locked in an eerily quiet dining room on the Titanic, a mysterious man tells a young girl his life story as the ship begins to sink. It all starts in Whitechapel, London in 1888...In the small hours of the night in a darkened Whitechapel alley, young Mary Kelly stumbles upon a man who has been seriously injured and is almost unconscious in the gutter. Mary – down on her luck and desperate to survive – steals his bag and runs off into the night. Two days later, an American gentleman wakes in a hospital bed with no memory of who he is or how he got there. He has suffered a serious head injury, and with no one to help him remember who he is he starts to wonder how he will ever find his way home. One terrible truth links these two lost souls in the dark world of Victorian London – a truth that could ruin the name of the most influential man in the land...Back in 1912, as the Titanic begins its final shuddering descent to the bottom of the frozen, black Atlantic, the truth behind a series of murders that have hung like a dark fog over London for more than two decades is about to be revealed...the identity of Jack the Ripper.

MORE THAN A LIBRARY!

Maranoa Regional Council Libraries are more than places to borrow books – they're welcoming community hubs offering a wide range of services. Many of our library locations also house art galleries and museums, showcasing local creativity and preserving our regional stories. You can access council customer service, pay bills, or make enquiries, and in some towns, even visit the post office or find visitor information. Whether you're dropping in to attend a program, view an exhibition, or get help with government services, there's always more to explore at your local library!



ASK your local MRC library about their First 5 Forever programs today!

first5forever



Funkybooks

Storytime @ Roma Library



Everyone is welcome at our library programs.
However, please remember that children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.
We look forward to seeing you!



For more information call 1300 007 662
or visit our website www.maranoa.qld.gov.au

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Spotlight on PUBLIC PROGRAMMING



Roma Show Lego entries - Roma Library



School Holiday Programs COMING SOON!!!

Surat & Wallumbilla - Wednesday, 2 July
Roma & Injune - Thursday, 3 July
Mitchell - Friday, 4 July

Science of Sherbet – ages 5-12

Explore the sometimes-explosive effects of acid-base reactions to discover how sherbet tingles your tongue and make your own to take home. Taste the science of sherbet.

In this workshop we explore the somewhat explosive effects of acid-base reactions through carbon dioxide balloons and film canister or yoghurt tub rockets. Try a safe and delicious acid base reaction in your mouth by making some sherbet to take home.

Rat Trap Racers and Hovercraft

Discover the fundamentals of vehicular movement using rat trap racers and compare this to a model hovercraft you take home! Ready, set, go!

In this workshop we explore how motor vehicles work and apply the same principles to create 'vehicles' of our own. Use a rat trap as an engine in a race against your mates and make a model hovercraft to take home.

Spotlight on PUBLIC PROGRAMMING



Injune Library



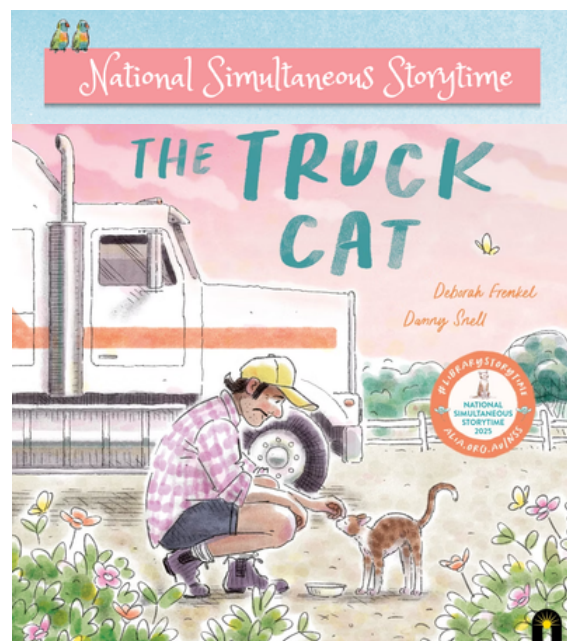
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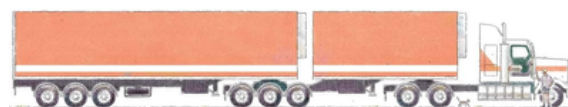


The Truck Cat is a story about cats and humans, immigration and identity, and homes lost and found.

Some cats are house cats. Some are apartment cats. But Tinka is a truck cat. Tinka lives everywhere.

Along with his human, Yacoub, Tinka travels roads wide and narrow, near and distant. But no matter how much they travel, home feels very far away – for both of them.

Yacoub drives his truck to make a living, learning the landscape of a new country along the way, and longing for connection. When Tinka and Yacoub are unexpectedly separated, they are determined to find their way back to each other – and, in doing so, might find more than they expected ...



Roma Library



Missed the event? No worries.
Drop in and borrow the book from your local library.



What's on in June

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AVAILABLE NOW AT ALL MRC LIBRARIES



BOOKS FOR BUBS

Nurture your child's love of reading with our First 5 Forever take home pack for 0-2yrs. New pack + new book available each month. (PACKS ARE LIMITED - GET IN QUICK!)

Available to RLQ Library members. Not a member? No worries. Sign up today!

QldLibraries App

The QldLibraries App is now available for all Rural Libraries Queensland and Indigenous Knowledge Centre members, giving you access to your library's collections from anywhere on your phone or tablet.



The app provides the freedom to use the Aurora catalogue wherever there is an internet connection and allows you to:

- Search from 400,000+ items
- See recent additions to the catalogue
- Reserve books, DVDs and more
- Download eBooks, eAudiobooks and emagazines
- Manage your loans & reservations
- Link family members to your account
- Find your nearest library
- Store your library card in the app
- Scan books to see if already in collection
- Access eresources

The app can be downloaded from the Apple or Google Play stores.



Stay up to date with what's happening at your local library. Contact staff at your local library & ask to be added to their email list.

VISIT YOUR LOCAL LIBRARY
THIS JUNE TO COLLECT

first5forever

TAKE HOME ACTIVITY PACK

Available to library members, when borrowing a book.
New pack available each month, featuring a different title.

JUNE'S
FEATURED
BOOK



Activity packs are aimed at little readers aged 3-5yrs

To help engage your little reader this kit includes:

Talk, sing, read and play ideas
Songs for you both to sing along to
Fun activities for you and your little reader to enjoy
(some art/craft supplies included)

So drop in today, borrow a book and pick up your First 5 Forever take home activity pack.

(Adult supervision required)



For more information
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or visit our website
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TAKE HOME ACTIVITY PACK



1 - 30 June, daily

Drop into your local library, borrow a book and pick up a First 5 Forever take-home activity pack. Packs include talk, sing, read & play ideas; songs and activities for you and your little reader to enjoy (some craft materials included). Kits are aimed at little readers 3-5yrs. To be used under adult supervision.

JUNE'S FEATURED BOOK: The Invisible String

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ROMA LIBRARY

F5F Play Library	All month	During library hours	Come on down to the library and play, sing, talk and read with a variety of hands-on sensory toys designed to tickle the little-ones' imagination (ages 0-5+). You can even borrow something and take it home for a spell!
New Parent Café	Tuesday, 3	9:30am - 11:30am	A Q&A & play group for new parents of bubbas under 1 year-old. Run by QLD Health, ask a RN any questions you have about bubba during weigh-ins, and chat to other new parents.
F5F Baby Hour	Thursday, 5	9am - 11am	Join us in the library with informal self-led sensory play. We'll have some board books, hand-puppets and activities for your child to explore at their own pace. Stay and play for the full hour or just pop in for a quick visit. Recommended ages 0-1
New Parent Café	Tuesday, 10 Tuesday, 17 Tuesday, 24	9:30-11:30am	A Q&A & play group for new parents of bubbas under 1 year-old. Run by QLD Health, ask a RN any questions you have about bubba during weigh-ins, and chat to other new parents.
F5F Story Time session - Teddy Bear Picnic	Thursday, 12	9:30am-10:30am	If you go down to the woods library today you're sure of a big surprise. If you go down to the woods library you'd better go in disguise - or better yet, bring a teddy bear! Get ready steady teddy for a bear hunt! Morning tea provided.
Manga & Anime Club	Wednesday, 18	5pm-6pm	We're going to chat about fave tropes, characters and genres - recommend some anime and manga series - maybe watch an episode or two or request some manga books into the library - eat some Pocky - attempt drawings 🍱 - trade collectable stickers and other kawaii freebies
F5F Move & Groove	Thursday, 19	9:30am-10:30am	Worried your little one is too wiggly to sit through story time? Bring them down to our new move & groove session! Help them develop their gross motor skills on the indoor sensory obstacle course & bop along to some nursery rhymes and Wiggles songs to develop their language skills at the same time!
F5F Aunty Lyn's Story Time	Thursday, 26	9:30am - 10:00am	Pull up a comfy cushion as the dynamic Aunty Lyn reads tales of fun & adventure!



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INJUNE LIBRARY

Afterschool Activities	Wednesday, 11	3:30pm	Pick-a-Kit and get crafting.
Parent Café	Thursday, 12	10am	Come along and enjoy a cuppa and meet up with other Mums and Bubs.
Book Club with Luke Bateman (Verity)	Thursday, 12	5:30pm	Join us at the Injune Library, for a lively and engaging book club where no genre is off-limits! Bring a plate to share, BYO drinks, and enjoy great conversations with fellow book lovers. We talk about book club... to everyone! Whether you're an avid reader or just looking for a fun and social way to discover new books, come along and be part of the discussion!
Adult Craft - Cricut Creations	Thursday, 19	10am	Please RSVP to the library as numbers may be limited. What to bring: 2-3 flat fabric items (e.g. T-Shirt, Apron, Tote bag) & an idea of what you would like to put on them (unsure? visit us at the library for ideas)
F5F Storytime and Craft	Thursday, 26	10am	8th June was World Ocean Day - lets celebrate with some underwater themed stories and craft.

MUNGALLALA LIBRARY

Storytelling and activity	Saturday, 21	9.30am	Enjoy a story about MONSTERS followed by the chance to draw your own monster of wants. (Asia Pacific Triennial Kids on Tour Program. Morning tea provided)
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JACKSON LIBRARY

Sourdough Workshop	Wednesday, 18	9.30am	Have you ever wanted to make sourdough bread? Come along to the Jackson Library for an informal lesson making sourdough. Have a cuppa and a chat, taste some delicious sourdough.
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MITCHELL LIBRARY

Mums & Bubs	Monday, 9	9.30am	Mums & Bubs offer a variety of engaging options for parents and their young children. The morning will consist of children playing together under adult supervision and developing life-long friendships.
Storytelling with Heather	Friday, 13	9.15am - 10.00am	This month's story will be "The Invisible String" by Patrice Karst, a bestselling phenomenon that has inspired readers around the world
Book Club	Monday, 23	6.00pm - 8.00pm	Book club. Book & venue TBA.



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SURAT LIBRARY

Yoga Classes with The Yoga Partnership BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL!	Sunday, 1 Sunday, 8 Sunday, 15 Sunday, 22 Sunday, 29	8.30am to 9.30am (arrive by 8.20am)	Find Your Inner Calm with Free Yoga Classes at Surat Library! 📞 Bookings: Limited spots available – call 07 4626 5136 to secure your place! These inclusive and beginner-friendly sessions are designed to suit all abilities. Whether you're an experienced yogi or trying yoga for the first time, you'll enjoy the many benefits of this gentle practice: All participants must register with The Yoga Partnership before attending. For more information, contact Surat Library at 07 4626 5136.
Between the Covers book club	Tuesday, 3	6.30pm	**The Between the Covers Book Club** Join us on the first Tuesday of every month at Cobb's Court, Surat Library, from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm*, for a lively and engaging book club where no genre is off-limits! Bring a plate to share, BYO drinks, and enjoy great conversations with fellow book lovers. This is an adults-only book club, and our first rule? We talk about book club... to everyone! Whether you're an avid reader or just looking for a fun and social way to discover new books, come along and be part of the discussion!
First 5 Forever & Surat ECEC - Qld Museum Kit Qld Emblems	Wednesday, 11	10.30am to 11.30am	Join in with Surat ECEC for a fun morning of Storytime, Rhymes, Songs and craft activities along with the Qld Museum kit display " Qld Emblems"
Lego Club	Saturday, 14	11am	Build, create, and imagine at our LEGO Club! Join fellow builders at the library for a fun, hands-on session where creativity has no limits. Suitable for kids and families. Children under the age of 12 MUST be accompanied by an adult. Lego supplied.
Mums & Bubs	Wednesday, 18	9.30am -10.30am	Join our First 5 Forever Mums & Bubs session for stories, songs, and playful activities that support early literacy and bonding. A fun, relaxed space to connect with your baby and other parents!
Food & Friends - Pasta BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL!	Thursday, 26	5.30pm to 7pm	From scratch to sauce – join us at the Supper Room for pasta perfection! Learn to make pasta and sauce from scratch with the Healthy Communities team. Enjoy fresh, flavourful dishes and a fun, hands-on culinary experience. BYO drinks and bread to share. RSVP Essential by Monday, 23rd June.

Contact your local library

Maranoa Libraries are providers of a dynamic public library service, offering a welcoming, inclusive and stimulating environment where lifelong learning, self-empowerment and creativity is encouraged, a love of reading is nurtured, and a place where library users can meet their educational, information and recreational needs.

Maranoa Libraries have a working partnership with the State Library of Qld and our collection is accessed from Rural Libraries Queensland. This partnership not only includes an extensive book collection it also encompasses E-Resources which are accessible to all our members.

Membership to access Maranoa Libraries is free! We have adult, children and tourist memberships available. As all our libraries are part of the RLQ network you are able to use your membership at any of our eight locations.

Roma Library

Location: Roma Community Arts Centre, 38-44 Hawthorne Street, Roma

- Public Access Computers Available
- Free Wi-Fi

Opening hours:

- Monday to Friday 9am - 5pm
- Saturday 9am - 12pm

Phone: (07) 4624 0301

Email: roma.library@maranoa.qld.gov.au

Injune Library

Location: Injune Multipurpose Complex, Hutton Street (Carnarvon Hwy), Injune

- Public Access Computers Available
- Free Wi-Fi
- QGAP & Customer Service

Opening hours:

- Monday to Friday 8.30am - 12pm, 1pm - 5pm.

Phone: (07) 4626 0502

Email: injune.library@maranoa.qld.gov.au

Surat Library

Location: Cobb & Co Changing Station, 62 Burrowes Street, Surat

- Public Access Computers Available
- Free Wi-Fi
- Centrelink, Medicare and other government programs access

Opening hours:

- Monday to Friday 9am - 4.30pm
- Saturday 10am - 4pm

Phone: (07) 4626 5136

Email: surat.library@maranoa.qld.gov.au

Jackson Library

Location: Edward Street, Jackson

- Public Access Computer Available
- Free Wi-Fi

Opening hours:

Wednesday 9am - 5pm

Phone: (07) 4627 6386

Email: jackson.library@maranoa.qld.gov.au

Yuleba Library

Location: Yuleba Customer Service Centre - Stephenson Street, Yuleba

- Public Access Computers Available
- Free Wi-Fi
- Australia Post Office
- Customer Service Centre

Opening hours:

Monday to Friday 9am - 12pm, 1pm - 5pm

Phone: (07) 4629 9000

Email: yuleba.library@maranoa.qld.gov.au

Mitchell Library

Location: Mitchell Library Gallery Building, 33 Cambridge Street, Mitchell

- Public Access Computer Available
- Free Wi-Fi
- Customer Service

Opening hours:

- Monday to Friday 9am - 12pm, 1pm - 5pm
- Saturday 9am - 12pm

Phone: (07) 4624 6955

Email: mitchell.library@maranoa.qld.gov.au

Mungallala Library

Location: (adjoining the Mungallala Memorial Hall) Redford Street, Mungallala

- Public Access Computer Available
- Free Wi-Fi

Opening hours:

- Tuesday 3pm - 5.30pm
- Saturday 9am - 12pm

Phone: (07) 4623 6178

Email: mungallala.library@maranoa.qld.gov.au

Wallumbilla Library

Location: School of Arts Memorial Hall, Chadford Street, Wallumbilla

- Public Access Computers Available
- Free Wi-Fi

Opening hours:

- Monday and Wednesday 11.30am - 5pm
- Friday 11am - 5pm

Phone: 0438 374 932

Email: wallumbilla.library@maranoa.qld.gov.au