

Your Summer Stories

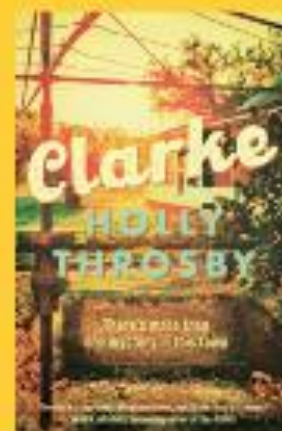
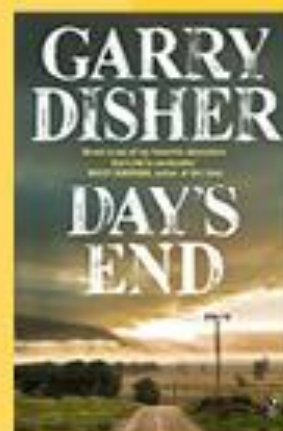
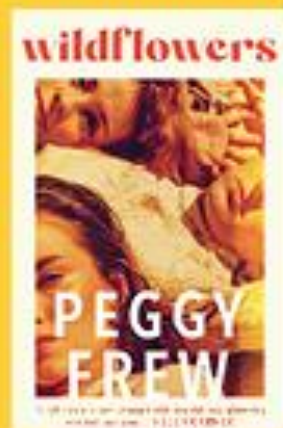
Author talks, podcasts and recommended reading



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- To provide an engaging, thought provoking and easy to access reading program for members to enjoy over summer
- To broaden understanding of our world, our communities, and ourselves through the stories and joy created by a good book
- To provide connection through reading
- To showcase our collections and increase access for members
- To provide a platform for emerging and established local and national authors and other creatives
- To promote our libraries and Library Lover's Day
- It has been proven that reading for pleasure reduces stress, heightens empathy, improves students' test scores, slows the onset of dementia, and makes us more active and aware citizens. Book clubs and community reading programs extend these benefits by creating opportunities to explore together the issues that are relevant to our lives
- Foster a lifelong learning culture.
- Foster and celebrate a reading culture
- Diversify public programs to support the development of new audiences and new programming experiences
- Promote inclusive community programs.
- Improved use of digital technology

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Essential Summer Reads:

Your [7 essential summer reads](#) are all by established or emerging Australian authors and available from our libraries and eLibrary, plus the Grab and Go collection at our Digital, City and Wallsend Libraries:

Our titles are:

- [The Tilt by Chris Hammer](#)
- [Nothing bad ever happens here by Heather Rose](#)
- [Clarke by Holly Throsby](#)
- [The Paris Mystery by Kirsty Manning](#)
- [Day's end by Garry Disher](#)
- [Wildflowers by Peggy Frew](#)
- [Broad River Station by Fleur McDonald](#)

Not sure which of our summer reads to start with? We've reviewed all 7 books over on our [Staff Reviews page](#), go explore to find your next summer read!

Your Summer Stories events:

- Live event – Chris Hammer in conversation with Dan Cox - 28 October
- Podcast - [Your Summer Stories: All You Need to Know](#)
- Podcast – [Chris Hammer in conversation with Jaye Ford](#) or watch the [video](#)
- Podcast – [Heather Rose in conversation with Karen Eastwood](#)
- Podcast – [Holly Throsby in conversation with Melanie Sargeant](#)
- Podcast – [Kirsty Manning in conversation with Pat Annetts](#)
- Podcast – [Garry Disher in conversation with Dan Cox](#)
- Podcast – [Fleur McDonald in conversation with Skye Jones](#)
- Live event - [Garry Disher in Conversation with Dan Cox - 17 February](#)

Keep up to date with new Your Summer Stories events and news by [subscribing to our eNewsletter](#).

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Podcast - Your Summer Stories: All You Need to Know



escape with a
*compelling
mystery*



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escape with a
*summer
romance*



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An illustration of a person with dark skin, wearing a large orange hat and sunglasses, reading a red book. They are sitting on a beach, with the ocean and a dark silhouette of a ship on the horizon. A large yellow sun is in the top left corner. The background is split into a blue upper half and a yellow lower half.

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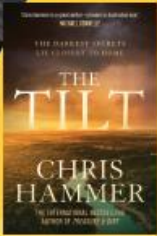


KIRSTY MANNING *the PARIS MYSTERY*
FLEUR McDONALD *Broad River Station*
HEATHER ROSE *nothing bad ever happens here*
GARRY DISHER *DAY'S END*
CHRIS HAMMER *THE TILT*
Clarke *HOLLY THROSBY*



Launch Event

Chris Hammer in conversation with Dan Cox



Bestselling author of *Scrublands* and *Treasure & Dirt*, Chris Hammer, brings his compelling new crime thriller *The Tilt* to Newcastle.

In the exciting launch event for Your Summer Stories 2022/23, Chris will share insight into his new book through conversation with Dan Cox.

Copies of *The Tilt* will be available to purchase at the event and there will be an opportunity to have your book signed by the author.



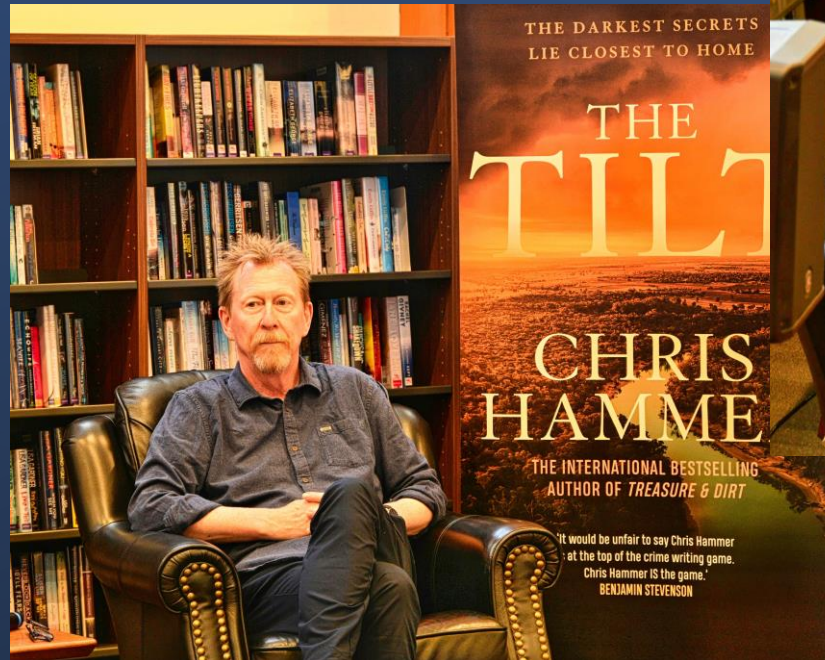
Date Friday 28 October
Time 6pm - 8pm

City Library
Laman Street, Newcastle

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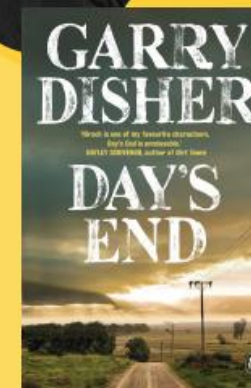
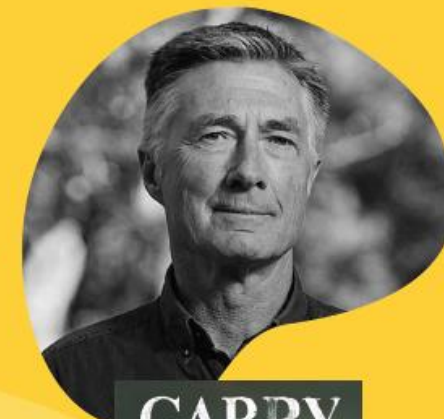


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Your Summer Stories Live Author Event

Garry Disher in conversation with Dan Cox

Join us for the final event of our Your Summer Stories program, as Garry chats about a life of crime writing and his latest novel *Day's End* with Dan Cox. Garry Disher is one of Australia's best known and well-loved writers of crime thrillers. Don't miss it! Copies of *Day's End* and Garry's other titles will be available to purchase and have signed.



Date Friday 17 February
Time 6pm

Newcastle Library
Laman St, Newcastle, 2300

Bookings essential. Please scan code to RSVP

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What we achieved

- Approx. 2000 loans across the 7 titles over the campaign period
- Year-on-year increase (Summer 21/22 to Summer 22/23) of 37% new members, 100% eBook loans & 56% eAudio loans
- Launch & closing events fully booked & attended