



NOVEMBER LIBRARY NEWS

CUP DAY CLOSURE

The Melbourne Athenaeum Library will be closed on Tuesday 1st November for Melbourne Cup Day. The library will be open regular hours on Monday 31st October and Wednesday 2nd November.



TWO MUSICAL PERFORMANCES

Members will be spoilt for choice with two November musical performances – Pat Powell (pictured right) on Friday 4th November and Stranger Cole on Friday 25th November.

Pat Powell (Patou) is one of Australia's most accomplished vocal talents and known for his charismatic exchanges with his audiences – a perfect combination for a performance in the library.



Patou's style spans ska to blues, hip hop to soul, RnB to reggae and he has recorded with, and supported, a who's who of music including James Freud, Boy George, Queen, Crowded House and Kylie Minogue.



Stranger Cole, who will take to the stage later in the month, was born Wilburn Theodore Cole in Jamaica, and began his recording career with producer Duke Reid, scoring a hit with his 1962 debut *Rough and Tough*.

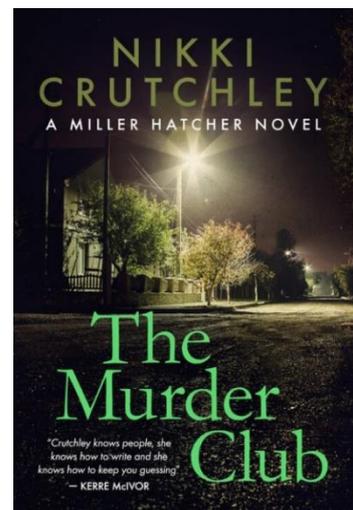


Stranger (pictured right) frequently used duet partners, apparently because of his shyness in singing alone, but he is a soulful vocalist and his songs are described as radiating a kind of joyful personality that is rare in most reggae.

Both events start from 6pm. Members are free and guests pay \$10. Refreshments will be provided. Bookings are essential, either by calling 9650 3100 or emailing library@melbourneathenaeum.org.au

BOOK CLUB READS

Great ideas for books to read can be found on the lists our book clubs compile to discuss throughout the year. This month the books for discussion include [*Murder Club*](#) by Nikki Crutchley, [*High mountains of Portugal*](#) by Yann Martel and [*84 Charing Cross Road*](#) by Helene Hanff.





PLACES AVAILABLE FOR MEMBER TOURS

There are still a few places available for our free member tours in November, and members are welcome to bring a friend. These tours are a terrific opportunity to have an insider's peek at the Athenaeum and learn more about its incredible history.



Tours will be held at 10am on Monday 7th November and Monday 14th November. Bookings are essential, either by calling 9650 3100 or emailing library@melbourneathenaeum.org.au

JOIN THE HODDLE HUNT

The library has joined other city venues as part of the Hoddle Hunt, which celebrates Melbourne's iconic street art and will run throughout November. The hunt is being presented by the Melbourne City Precinct, City of Melbourne and Pasteup, which works with the best street artists to celebrate their work.

As part of the Hoddle Hunt an artwork will be erected in the library and people will be invited to click on a QR code to enter their details in a competition to win one of 17 street art prizes valued at \$1000 each.

To register your interest to participate in the Hoddle Hunt, visit <https://www.pasteup.com.au/pages/visitscanwin>



HISTORICAL NOVEL AWARD WINNERS

Acclaimed Australian author Tom Keneally has won the 2022 ARA Historical Novel Prize for *Corporal Hitler's Pistol*, which can be found on our library shelves.

The novel tells a compelling story of the interactions and relationships between black and white Australians in early 20th century Australia.

The winner of the 2022 ARA Historical Novel Prize in the Children and Young Adult category was Katrina Nannestad for *Rabbit, Soldier, Angel, Thief*, which is on order for the library shelves.

Chair and program director of the Historical Novel Society Australasia, Elisabeth Storrs, said the winning novels demonstrated the “irresistible prose, unforgettable characters, meticulous research, and epic storytelling for which historical fiction is known”.

