

Boatloads of bargains books!

Don Pyatt Hall (Norwood Town Hall)-Friday 13, Saturday 14 and Sunday 15 December

FRIDAY 13 DECEMBER

9.00 am - Doors open

We're kicking off our Christmas Book Fair with boatloads of bargain books for sale, starting at \$2! Gift-wrapping will be available by volunteers from St Vincent de Paul. Open all day!

6.00 pm for 6.30 pm - Book launch

Marking 50 years since his attack by a great white shark, join us for the launch of Rodney Fox's autobiography, **Sharks, the Sea and Me**, which will be launched by Brian Nadilo, former Mayor of the City of Holdfast Bay. Wines served courtesy of Fox Creek Wines, with nibbles provided.

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SATURDAY 14 DECEMBER

9.00 am - Doors open

11.00 am - Michael Bollen

With over twenty years' industry experience under his belt, Michael Bollen, publisher and director of Wakefield Press, has plenty of wisdom to impart. Come armed with your questions! This is your opportunity to get the inside scoop on what's happening in the industry, and find out about the process of publishing.

12.00 pm - Jude Aquilina

Well-known local poet Jude Aquilina recently edited **Tadpoles in the Torrens: Poems for young readers**, a book alive with people,
places and creatures from our everyday lives, from the quirky
imaginations of some of South Australia's best children's writers.
Poems are happening all around us, and Jude will inspire you to
write a poem of your own – it really is a lot of fun.

1.00 pm - Lisa Fabry

Lisa Fabry's two great passions in life – food and yoga – led her to the 'divine vegan' concept, a way of combining practical food choices with ethical, moral and spiritual awareness. Lisa's cookbook *Divine Vegan Desserts*, now published in the UK and Germany, aims to redeem the reputation of dessert, proving that it can be both wholesome and delicious.

2.00 pm - Derek Pedley

Derek Pedley is engaged in the dark art of daily news production at the Advertiser and Adelaide Now. Beyond the past-paced daily news cycle, he investigates intriguing criminals whose stories are not so easily told. His book **Dead by Friday: How lust and greed led to murder in the suburbs** scooped him an award at this year's SA Press Club Awards, and was shortlisted for the Ned Kelly Awards for Best True Crime. He believes the best stories are the ones that are hardest to pin down.

3.00 pm - Valerie Volk

In her latest book, *Passion Play: The Oberammergau tales*, inspired by Chaucer's *Canterbury Tales*, Valerie Volk asks us what a politician, a cooking contest winner, a troubled clergyman, a much-married socialite, and a TV evangelist could possibly have in common. Why do they (and half a million others) travel to Oberammergau, the small German village that has staged a Passion Play every tenth year since 1634?

5.00 pm - Close

SUNDAY 15 DECEMBER

10.00 am - Doors open

11.00 am - Bruce Munday

Beautiful stone was nature's gift to South Australia, and an irresistible building material for early settlers. Many stone walls, without mortar or with no more than mud as glue, have defied gravity and the elements all these years. Or did gravity combine with deft balance to sustain them? Bruce Munday, author of *Those Dry-stone Walls*, will tell the stories behind these walls, and inspire you to start building your own.

12.00 pm - Margaret Merrilees

Winner of the Wakefield Press Unpublished Manuscript Award at 2012
Adelaide Writers' Week, Margaret Merrilees' novel **The First Week**tells the story of Marian, whose son shoots dead two people in Perth
for no apparent reason. So commences a journey from the country to
the city and back again – a week that will change Marian's life forever.
Margaret's idiosyncratic essays, which combine fiction, history and social
commentary, have appeared in *Meanjin, Island, Wet Ink* and *Griffith Review*.

1.00 pm - Michael Bollen

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2.00 pm - Rodney Fox

In the summer of 1963, Rodney Fox became famous when he survived a brutal shark attack off a suburban beach. Gathering his courage he returned to the sea, determined to make his living there. He fished for abalone and built the first shark cage. Hollywood came calling. Over five decades Rodney has led hundreds of expeditions to introduce filmmakers, scientists, shark researchers and tourists to one of the world's great adventures – each endeavour adding grand stories to an exciting life, told in **Sharks, the Sea and Me**.

3.00 pm - Sharon Kernot

Sharon Kernot's first published novel **Underground Road** tells the story of residents of a single street whose ordinary lives – encompassing addiction and domestic violence, quiet achievements, small acts of kindness, and treachery – intertwine, as tension grows to a shattering climax. Sharon worked for many years as a community support worker in a child protection agency in Adelaide's northern suburbs, from which she drew inspiration for her book.

5.00 pm - Close

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