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**Small essays and reports as A5 booklets that have been produced at the end of the booklist**

**A Bushwalking Brew** by John Foulsham.  
ISBN 978-0-85905-681-6, (2017, New), A4, illustrated with maps and photos, 251pp, 670 grams $50.00*

John Foulsham overlanded to Perth from England in 1969 and became a bushwalker. Long walks in Tasmania, the Stirling Ranges, Kokoda, and his epic journey with Murray Rankin on the Canning Stock Route in 1973 are described and illustrated. Great reading on the trials and joys of Australian bushwalking.

**A Camelman on the Canning. The diary of Claude Heppingstone** - edited by Phil Bianchi, Peter Bridge, Sheryl Milentis, Gail Dreezens, Tony Vincent  
ISBN 978-0-85905-537-6, (2012), A4, 54pp, 185 grams, $22.00*

Claude was a camelteer on the 1908-1910 well construction party of the Canning Stock Route. This is his daily diary. Bush diaries are rare and the detail of this shows the long daily grind of hard bush work and what was done in this great enterprise.

ISBN 978-0-85905-829-2, (New, 2020), A4, heavily illustrated, 140 pages, 600 grams, $40.00*

The author worked directly within the RSLWA for eighteen months to record their over 100 years of service, support and hospitality to returned soldiers, sailors, nurses and other service personnel in Western Australia from 1915 to 2020 in all wars. It documents, using the RSLWA's own archives, how the returned soldiers began to organise themselves into soldiers’ associations from late 1915. This was attributed to returning 11th and 18th Battalion ex-soldiers. The book, with a Foreword by Governor Beazley, AC, documents the dramatic changes that overtook the WA government, and WA society, following that first 25th April 1915 action at Gallipoli. It identifies those individuals that first came together in support of the returning maimed and injured soldiers. It covers the wide extent of civilian and RSLWA support activities for returning soldiers – and for those still serving at the front. Later chapters explore the RSLWA's increasing relevance in an ever-turbulent and troubled world. The RSLWA has a vital role to play in reminding the nation of its everlasting responsibility, to those who are serving and have served; to its fallen and to the partners and children of the fallen. Its duty will never end for as long as our men and women continue to serve the cause of freedom – and pay its price of eternal vigilance. A copy of the book will be included in a time capsule to be placed in the floor of the new 2020 ANZAC House (completed in September 2020) – the time capsule to be opened in another 100 years’ time.

**A Clouded Vision** by Hugh Clift  
ISBN 0 85905 320 2, (2003 New), Soft Cover, Wire spiral A4, 128pp, illustrated, 375 grams $ 30.00*

The life of Andrew Barr, pioneer inventor and Doodlakine farmer.
A Dead Mans Dream – Lasserter's Reef Found by Angie Testa and Bill Decarli
ISBN 0 85905 356 3, (New 2005), Soft Cover, 104pp, illustrated, 145grams, $22.00
Ever since Harold Lasseter died in 1931 in his pursuit of his infamous gold-bearing quartz reef, the location of this reef has remained a tantalising mystery.

A Gold Seeker's Odyssey by L R Menzies
Leslie Menzies was one of the hopeful band of prospectors who arrived in Western Australia during the 1890s goldrush.

A Good Prospect – the life and works of F.W. Ophel “Prospect Good”. Compiled and edited by Chris Holyday.
Ophel was considered by AG Stephens of the Bulletin to be the best of the goldrush poets of the 1890s. Unfortunately Stephens twice misplaced the ms and money to publish was not available. Now, a century later, Ophel’s work shines out.

A History of Dressage in Western Australia by Marion Hercock with Zoe Harrison.
The progress of horse and rider training underlies the story of the development of the specialist sport of dressage in Western Australia. This history covers the years from 1829 to 2000. It includes the mounted police and the first riding schools; the hunt club, the pony clubs and the original Dressage Club of Western Australia. It looks at the horses and the riders, from the hackies and eventers to the FEI masters of dressage. Historical detail is blended with personal memories to create an informative and lively ride into the past; and for some readers, a trip down memory lane.

A Farewell to Len Hill, Canning Stock Route Drover and Kimberley Cattleman. by Felicity Hamlyn-Hill & Peter J. Bridge
An outline of the life and an appreciation of Len Hill, author of Droving with Ben Taylor.

A History of the 2nd Independent Company and 2/2 Commando Squadron compiled by Col Doig
This is the story of the Double Red Diamonds who fought the Japanese in Timor, inflicting casualties far in excess of their number, and showing the usefulness of guerrilla forces against a numerically superior enemy. While all other forces in Asia had been destroyed by the Japanese, the Double Reds were the sole Allied unit to remain undefeated.

A New Zealand Gold Seeker's Adventure in Australia, 1886-1901 by J.W. Swift.
Off to the Kimberley rush and its vicissitudes, Swift details his adventures in making a living in the bush, disasters of going blind and blown up in a mining accident, and generally a hard life. We normally only hear of successful men but most just struggle through.

A Prospector's Life by John Meiklejohn
ISBN 978-0-85905-642-7, (New, 2016), A4, indexed, 52 pages, 165 grams, $22.00*
The newly discovered memoirs of this well-known prospector fill out his articles that were published as Gold Getting Days in 2005. A serendipitous internet search by his grand-daughter discovered Hesperian and so the book came about. A lively read of an adventurous life before WWI. New Zealand, Australia, Africa, Boer War, Madagascar, Klondyke, and London.

A Short Walk in Paradise by Peter W. Board
ISBN 978-0-85905-748-6, (R, 2019), A5, 165 pages, illustrated, soft cover, 225 grams, $30.00*
Peter Board was a British sailor, born in Devonshire, who joined the Royal Navy at 16 and served on HMS Newcastle and HMS Consort. With his mate Ron Palmer they jumped ship after the Montebello nuclear tests. Peter headed for country WA and after some adventures ended up at Dwellinup. He describes bush town life and its people and working on the bush railways of the forest area. Eventually the RN found the pair and it was back to swabbing decks. He returned to Australia in 1972 and worked in the Pilbara.

A Story of Swan Location 16 by Bill de Burgh.
ISBN 0 85905 459 4, (2008), Soft Cover, A4, 50 pp, illustrated, 170 grams, $22.00*
The history of the colonial land locations of Swan 16 (Woodbridge and Bushmead), Swan M1 (Caversham), 16A, and Helena 7 (Waterhall), and Cowalla; and the involvement of the deBurgh, Brockman, Harper, Morrison, Welliton, Phillips, and Whitfield families.

A Story of the Cowalla Coast Run 1873 - 1964 by W. J. deBurgh
ISBN 0 85905 380 6, (2007 New), soft cover, 46pp, illustrated, 80 grams, $12.00
Born in 1912, WJ (Bill) de Burgh spent all his working life on his family's two Moore River properties, Cowalla and Baramba.

A Thousand Miles and More – a tramp through the Coolgardie Goldfields by Duke Stewart
ISBN 0 85905 427 6, (2008 Reprint 1896), Soft Cover, 54pp, 95 grams, $15.00*.
In 1896 Duke Stewart set out to report on the conditions of the new Coolgardie goldfields. By walking he absorbed the reality of the bush, meeting the prospectors and sharing their camps.

A Varied And Versatile Life by F. Wittenoom edited by R.L. Lefroy
ISBN 0 85905 317 2, (2003 upgraded reprint), Soft Cover, Wire spiral A4, 109pp, illustrated, 325grams, $30.00*
The first pastoral settlement of the Murchison.

A Voyage Of No Importance by R. Dickson
ISBN 0 85905 298 2, (2003 New), Soft Cover, 126pp illustrated, 180grams, $22.00
An epic dinghy voyage on the wild Kimberley coast in 1920 interwoven with shipwrecks and murder, which cost the lives of 5 white men.
Aboriginal Australian and Tasmanian Rock Carvings and Paintings & Aboriginal Australian Decorative Art by Daniel Sutherland Davidson. With a Foreword by Kim Akerman. Two volumes in one. ISBN 978-0-85905-374-7 and ISBN 978-0-85905-375-4, Case bound with laminated cover, 330pp, plus 6 colour plates, 16.5 x 25cm, 950 grams, $95.00*

First published in 1936 and 1937 these rare books are unknown to most anthropologists, art dealers and collectors. Davidson was the most important ethnographer of his time and his reputation for the quality and quantity of work produced is unmatched.


This magnificent volume of 489 x A4 pages contains the majority of Davidson's Australian ethnographic papers from 1933 to 1953.


Davidson collected these figures, mainly in WA, in the 1930s. Some 112 are illustrated and their creation described. This is a native art form now lost due to the inroads of TV- videos etc. a microcosm of our own cultural losses


A collection of her writings on the now-extinct Aborigines of the Perth and South West areas of Western Australia. Customs, beliefs, biographies and more.


Forgotten by most but still used in many areas. Perhaps a useful study for teachers and police.

Aboriginals and Criminality. Peter J. Bridge, with a Foreword by the late Kevin Moran. ISBN 978-0-85905-667-0, (New, 2017), A4, 2 parts, 92 pp, 280 grams, $40.00*

Records of crime that have generally been suppressed by the establishment propagandists. Gives a fresh light on both colonial and modern incidents


The collected known works of James Browne have been annotated with explanatory notes by Ken Macintyre and Dr Barbara Dobson in order to provide a biographical and ethnohistorical context.

Above the 26th by Les Newman. ISBN 978-0-85905-834-6, (new, 2020), A4, 36 pages, 140 grams, $30.00*

Les went North in 1960. Darwin, Carnarvon, Gascoyne Junction, Denham, Exmouth, Onslow, Kununurra, Wyndham, Karratha, with characters in between and around. The idiosyncrasies of the inhabitants of the outer lands are described in detail. One wonders just how the system survived.


A Northern Territory classic. Sunter’s life and adventures fishing for trepang in Arnhem Land on the coast of northern Australia.


Unleashed onto the unsuspecting world in London, 1898, the tale is of an adventurer wrecked in the Australian north and surviving the wilds with its cannibals and creatures. It confused the establishment for many decades with its facton. For the last century those fortunate enough to have read the book have laughed at how the dons of science fought with the equally preposterous tales of cynical Australian bushmen. He removed Ananias from his position of leading liar forever. His stories however still live on among the knowing and continue to strike strange chords among those attuned to old ways.


Afghans are now looked upon somewhat romantically but in the 1890s rush they were a constant problem for almost everyone. This collection of articles shows the antagonism of the bush against their dirty habits and truculent demeanor. Their camels were little different.


Rum Jungle, El Sherana, Ranger, Naborlek and Sleisbeck were names that resounded in the mining world when atomic power was viewed as the future. This book is the story of NAUC’s Sleisbeck deposit and the men who developed it in the then wild tropics.

Agnew by Alex Palmer ISBN 0 85905 267 2, (2000 New), Soft Cover, 142pp, illustrated, 190grams, $22.00

The history of the goldfield’s town, its rise and fall and the life of its people.


A clear-eyed observer with an outsider’s perspective, the child grew up and was educated in postwar Perth, where he was gradually transformed into an Australian. The experience was a complex, testing and sometimes confusing process.
All Gold. The Death of Stephen Grace by Peter J Bridge with Ian Murray, Gail Dreezens and Moya Sharp ISBN 0 85905 398 9, (2007 New), Soft Cover, A4, 30pp, saddle, illust, 135 grams, $16* Grace was the head of APLA, the prospectors association, and was murdered by blacks in 1907, while on a prospecting expedition along the RPF.


All Men Back by Bill Bee ISBN 0 85905 254 0, (1998 New), Soft Cover, 156pp, illustrated, 230grams, $22.00 The experiences of Bill Bee, as a sailor on HMAS Perth, sunk by the Japanese, and then as a POW on the Burma Railway and in Japanese coal mines. The appendix lists the crew of the HMAS Perth and their fate. An insert map shows all Japanese POW campsites.

Along the Ashburton by Rhonda McDonald ISBN 0 85905 288 5, (2001 New), Soft Cover, illustrated, 385grams, $35.00 The history of the people and stations of the Onslow and the Ashburton River districts.

Along the Coast – By ship Northwards edited by Peter J Bridge, with a foreword by maritime historian and artist Ross Shadlow ISBN 978-0-85905-604-5, (R, N2015), A4, illustrated, 212 pages, 580 grams, $50.00* The forgotten role of coastal shipping in both supplying the North and keeping Westralia in contact with the outside world. A collection of 25 descriptions of voyages along the coast from Eucla to Wyndham, interstate and to south and east Asia, in the period 1880s to the 1960s.

Along the Road to Cue and Other Verses by Andree Hayward ISBN 978-0-85905-136-1, (2010), illust., 106pp, 156g, $22.00 Andree Hayward was a lawyer, poet and newspaper editor and one of the greatest influences on the developing high culture of the Western Australian Goldfields.

Alphabetical Index to the 1954 “List of Cancelled Gold Mining Leases Which Have Produced Gold” by P. J. Bridge ISBN 0 85905 005 X, (1972 New), Soft Cover, 68pp, A3, 400grams, $50.00* This is an essential companion to the List of Cancelled GMLs produced by the Mines Dept which is in district order. With the alpha index and the name of a GML its locality can be found.

Always Your Own, Allan edited and written by Julie Easton ISBN 978-0-85905-559-8, (2013, New), A4, 60pp, illustrated, 210 grams, $22.00* The letters of Allan Evans to his fiancé Joyce Bardi from 1938 to 1940. From the farm to the forces, Allan’s letters show a different country and evoke the sense of loss of innocence, even of those turbulent times, compared to our knowing, and unfortunate age. For those whose roots are in the farmlands and country towns of that time, these letters will bring in a rush of memories of what once was.

Amongst Stone Age People in the Queensland Wilderness by Eric Mjöberg. Translated by FM Fryer, edited by Asa Ferrier and Rod Ritchie. ISBN 978-0-85905-593-2, (New 2014), 421pp, 160 x 250, heavily 258 illustrated + 4 colour plates, casebound, dj, 1.3kg, $110.00* Published in Swedish in 1915 and now available for the first time in English. A magnificent book on Mjöberg’s North Queensland anthropological and natural history collecting expedition. Rarely seen photos of NQ Aboriginals, pygmies, cannibals, ethnographic items and animals. A small run with only a few casebound so bananabenders please do not delay.

Among Wild Animals and People in Australia by Eric Mjoberg, translated by Margareta Luotsinen and Kim Akerman. ISBN 978-0-85905-507-9, (New 2012), Casebound, dj, illustrated, 362pp, 1.1 kg, $95.00* From October 1910 to August 1911 biologist Erik Mjoberg and his seven man Swedish team travelled by bullock wagon through the West Kimberley collecting invertebrates, birds, mammals, and ethnographic research material. Eric Mjöberg’s idiosyncratic text remained in the Swedish language until this long-awaited English translation. Now, for the first time, this unique perspective on biota and people is brought to a new generation of readers with an interest in Kimberley history and geography.


An Island Unto Itself by Professor L.R. Marchant ISBN 0 85905 120 X, (1988 New), Soft Cover, 224pp, illustrated, 460grams, $30.00 The biography and history of William Dampier; his times and exploration in Western Australia— in 1688 and 1699. This book covers everything Dampier wrote of his Western Australia explorations.


Anzac Squadron, The by Norman Ashworth  
The history of the RAAF 461 Squadron - Sunderland Flying Boats formed in 1942 to attack U-Boats. Details of the planes and men.

Apotaphesis of the Kero Tin, The  
ISBN 978-0-85905-140-8, (2011), 16pp, illus., 40g, $10.00*  
An essay on the role of the old kero tin.

Archimedean Lever – Alexander Livingstone, a freewheeling journalist on the Westralian Goldfields, The  
Collated and edited by Peter J Bridge with Angela Teague.  
ISBN 978-0-85905-485-0, (2010 New), A4, 44pp, 150g, $22.00*  
Alexander Livingstone was one of those characters thrown up in the convulsions of the Australian gold rushes. They burned brightly and quickly, like the volcano that suddenly erupts and then returns to dormancy.

Around the Goldfields - A study of possibilities and dreams. An overview of the goldfields during the great depression. by Anon.  
ISBN 978-0-85905-450-8, (2019, new), A4, indexed, 48 pages, 150 grams, $22.00*  

Australia in the 1940s - Life on the Home Front by Gary Mentiply  
ISBN 978-0-85905-818-6, (2020 New), Soft Cover, French flaps, 248pp, illustrated, 1kg, $45.00  
This book is not a military history of Australia's involvement in World War II. The focus of this work is on the "Home-front" with people living day to day with shortages and rationing. As the war ebbed and flowed, life went on for most people. The joys and hazards of life did not stop, of course, and there were births and weddings, bushfire disasters, floods, droughts, road deaths and injuries, hot summers and cold winters, and for many families, bad news on the fate of loved ones serving in the theatres of war.

Australia Twice Traversed by Ernest. Giles  
A classic of Australian exploration in one volume, including maps.

Australia's Fighting Sons of the Empire – portraits and biographies of Australians in the Great War.  
ISBN 978-0-85905-568-0, (1922, 2014), Illustrated, indexed, 240 x 300, (A4 plus) Section sewn with stiffened soft cover and French flaps, glossed paper, 298pp, 1.4 kg, $95.00*  
This difficult to obtain book was first published in 1922 after a troubled gestation. Many of the original copies have disintegrated due to binding problems. It is now available again in an attractive facsimile edition. Contains over 1450 biographies and illustrations of the soldiers. This is a book that will become a family heirloom.

Australian Aboriginal Tracking, Water Finding and Smoke Signaling by Alexander Thomas Magarey  
ISBN 978-0-85905-616-8, (R 1890s, 2015), A4, 34pp, Illustrated, 130 grams, $22.00*  
Magarey was a South Australian explorer with a keen interest in Aboriginal customs. These papers are the result of his investigations among South Australian Aboriginals and are some of the best on the subjects covered, and in the case of smoke signalling, the only detailed description available.

ISBN 978-0-85905-675-5, (New, 2017), casebound, dj, illustrated, 828 pages, 2.1kg, $96.00*  
This is a companion volume to the Clifton Journals published in 2010. It contains the correspondence from 1840 to 1847. With a biography of Clifton by Phyllis Barnes and an essay on 'The Rise and Fall of the Western Australian Company by JMR Cameron. Published 2 Oct 2017.

Australian Medicine Man, The (Der Australische Medizenmann) by Helmut Petri.  
Available for the first time in English, Petri's landmark 1952 book on Aboriginal medicine men, shamans, witchdoctors. With a Foreword by Susan Bradley and Introduction by Kim Akerman. The second volume of a trilogy of translations of Petri's important work in a culture now destroyed.

Australian Minerologist, The - Vol 1, Nos 1-51, 1975-1986  
Facsimile of the rare journal for researchers and collectors.

Australia's Worst Mass Murder - The Wreck of the Emma by Kevin Moran  
In 1867 the Emma carrying forty two passengers and crew was lost. Her fate was not known until ten years later when an Aboriginal crew member on the Jessie informed Captain W Tuckey the following, which was reported in The Inquirer newspaper on 19 January 1876 : -  
“A Long time ago (about 10 years he described) a ship was wrecked near North West Cape; the passengers landed at night, in the boats and as they had no means of defending themselves, the natives had no difficulty in making them prisoners. There were a large number of persons, among them were some females. The natives were not ‘sulky’ with them, but nevertheless they killed and ate all of them, the narrator partaking of some of the flesh.”

Australind Journals of Marshall Waller Clifton 1840-1861, The edited by Phyllis Barnes, JMR Cameron and HA Willis with Ian Berryman and Andrew Gill.  
ISBN 978-0-85905-483-6, (2010), Casebound, 869pp, 2.2kg, $95.00*  
Marshall Waller Clifton, Fellow of the Royal Society and Royal Geographical Society, and former Secretary of the Royal Navy’s Victualling Board, was Chief Commissioner for the small agricultural colony of Australind.

Bang-em-all. Bush life, and death, on the Gascoyne - Bangemall and the Thomas River Police Station by Peter J Bridge, with Gail Dreezens  
Bangemall, a Gascoyne mining village, 290 km ENE of Carnarvon, near Mt Augustus, cut a swathe through WA history in the 1890s.
Lonely graves, lost gold mines, death by thirst, suicide and native attack. Cattle and gold, natives, cops and crooks, prospectors and gold, in an eye opening collection of details of a forgotten mining town and region.

**Bardie. The life and writings of E E Shillington** by Peter J Bridge with Gail Dreezens
ISBN 0 85905 397 0, (2007 New), Soft Cover, A4, 52pp, saddle, 175 grams, $22*

Shillington and his mates discovered Sandstone. An interesting writer who could have become an antipodean Bret Harte, but instead had the trams running on time.

**Borrowmen of the Westralian Goldfields.** Peter J. Bridge

In the goldrushes from the 1880s to the 1930s prospectors travelled far and wide with bush made bars. Their fortitude and fame are one of the finest examples of the tenacity of our pioneer prospectors.

**Bat On! Chaps -The Bob Parker Story** by Graham J. Brammer

Bob Parker of Bundarra and Sydney, NSW, enlisted in the AIF in 1944 and served in BCOF, Japan. After discharge and the start of the Korean War he re-enlisted in the RAR. In the fortunes of war he became a Don-R rider.


Morrison was one of the best goldfields short story writers. This is the collection of his verse and prose.

**Battling for Gold** by John Marshall

John Marshall, adventurer, journalist, public figure and Digger's leader on the Coolgardie-Kalgoorlie goldfield wrote of early days on the fields in what is the best collection of goldfields' stories.

**Beckoning West, The** by Eleanor Smith
The story of the Canning Stock Route's construction. This edition includes 23 pages of illustrations.

**Before Coolgardie I. Colonial mineral discoveries and mining, a listing to 17 September 1892** by Peter J Bridge

A detailed listing and text of the discoveries from 1829 to Bayley and Ford. Essential reference for historians and prospectors. The culmination of decades of collecting data.

**Before Coolgardie II. The Prospectors of the Yilgarn** by Peter J Bridge
ISBN 978-0-85905-580-2, (2014, new), softcover, A4, illustrated, 158pp, 450g, 40.00*

The definitive history of the rushes to Golden Valley and Southern Cross up to the discovery of Coolgardie. Biographies and photos of the main prospectors involved. This book gives far more detail than any other on the subject, and uncovers much previously unknown material.

**Ben Bowyang by the Herald.**

A reprint of the rare and classic comic of the bush character, Ben Bowyang and his mates, Kang, Wilson, Hogan, Lil, and the Parson.

**Ben O'Dowd - Hero of Kapyong** by Rory Steele

In their most important engagement in the Korean War, Australian troops were cut off from other battalions and surrounded by units of China's People's Liberation Army. Earlier, as members of a United Nations force responding to the invasion of South Korea by the North, they had fought their way up the peninsula.

**Best of times, The** by Michael Gugeri

Michael's first book, God Before Gugeri, is popular among all who know the Derby family. This new book continues the stories of Kimberley life and people with an emphasis on his family. His unconventional tales are a favourite among all who have lived in the Kimberley.

**Between Beach and Bush. Remember old North Beach, Trigg and Watermans Bay.** by Chris Holyday

The book is a virtual trip back in time to the coastal suburbs of North Beach, Trigg and Watermans Bay of old, and is lavishly illustrated. It provides the first comprehensive history of these coastal suburbs. Attractively presented and uncovers much previously unknown material.

**Beyond Boundary Fences** by G.J.C McDonald
The early Murchison goldfield's characters, Aborigines, bushmen and outlaws.

**Beyond the Stirling Tree** by Harold T. Loton
ISBN 978-0-85905-545-1, (New 2012), A4, 97pp, illust., 340grams, $30.00*


Only available from Harold Loton, Unit 72, St Louis Estate, 14 Albeert Street. Claremont, 6010.

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Bibliography of books, articles, and pamphlets dealing with Western Australia, issued since its discovery in 1616 by Francis G Steere
ISBN 978-0-85905-500-0, (1923, reprint 2011), 186pp, A4, 515 grams, $45.00*
This important and interesting bibliography, compiled by the then Parliamentary Librarian, contains many references no longer easily accessible through the library catalogues due to the iniquitous policy of not indexing journal articles. An essential reference for bibliophiles, librarians and historians. The original in exceptionally rare.

Bicycle and the Bush, The by J. Fitzpatrick
ISBN 0 85905 250 8, (Reprint of 1980 edition), Soft Cover, 256pp, illustrated, 530grams, $50.00*

Bigajie by Katy Vickers and John McMicking
John and Torrance McMicking were well known east Kimberley stockmen. Torrence started El Questro. The story of early life on Cashmere Downs and life in the Kimberley with his partner, Katy Vickers. An end of an era.

Bill Cooper's Oil Rig Shift Story by Bill Cooper
Old trucker, Bill Cooper's description of the 1939 transport of an oil rig and associated boilers from Derby to Nerrima. Well illustrated with the trucks, rig, and gear that is still there as a historic relic of early oil exploration.

Black and white and in between by Dr Peter Gifford
ISBN 0 85905 301 6, (2001 New), Soft Cover, illustrated, 330grams, $30.00
The life of Arthur Dinner and a history of the southern Nullarbor.

BMC Leyland in Western Australia - The People, the Cars, the Dealerships by Gary Mentiplay
ISBN 978-0-85905-751-6, (2018, New), A4, French flaps, heavily illustrated, 346pages, 1.4kg, $70.00*
Covers the story of the various motor vehicle makes Austin, Morris, Wolseley, MG and Leyland that eventually made up the BMC (British Motor Corporation) and Leyland Australia during the years 1908 to 1978. Overseas post details and orders to author: garymentiplay@bigpond.com Phone: 0420 448 036

Body and Soul - an Aboriginal View by A.R. Piele
ISBN 0 85905 233 8, (1997 New), 334pp, 700grams, $65.00*
Aboriginal concepts of medicine. Piele spent many years at Balgo Community in the Great Sandy Desert and this is destined to become a classic work.

Born in the Desert by Marion Hercoc with Georgina (Sadina) Brown
Martu woman Sadina Brown was born and reared in WA's Little Sandy Desert during the 1970s. Like her famous kinsfolk, Warri and Yatungka ('The Last of the Nomads'), her family met Stan Gratte's party of field historians, and came to live in Wiluna.

Born to Command – not to take orders – The Brooks Family of Balbinia station – Pioneers of Israelite Bay, Western Australia by John Simpson
ISBN 978-0-85905-647-2, (New, 2017), A4, illustrated, indexed, 146 pp, 420grams, $40.00*
The saga of the Brooks family on their isolated station on the edge of the Nullarbor shows the great spirit of settlers in opening hard new land. John Paul Brooks, his sister Sarah, and mother Emily, spent most of their life in physical isolation but kept up international correspondence and cooperation with botanists and geographers. This is an important biography of a family that shows success is not always the reward for hard work. Only a few of those who ventured created long lasting establishments. Not giving up in the face of great adversity is an achievement which must be honoured, recorded and disseminated as an example for others who may feel overwhelmed by their situations.

Born to be a Drover - the life story of Jim Freeth 1913-1990 by Jim Freeth
ISBN 0 85905 346 6, (2004 reprint from 1991), Soft Cover, 72pages, A4, illustrated, 210grams, $22.00*
This is probably the best documented biography of a W.A drover

Borneo Surgeon - A Reluctant Hero. The life of Dr James D. Taylor by Peter Firkins
Dr Taylor, a civilian tortured and imprisoned by the Japanese in Borneo, ran an underground organisation to help the POWs who later died in the Sandakan death march.

Boundary Rider's Daughter, The by Evalene Wallbank.
ISBN 978-0-85905-687-8, (New, 2017), A4, 100pp, illustrated, 290 grams, $30.00*
Beyondie Station at Kumaria, north of Meekatharra, was taken up in the 1920s by Bob George, a Rabbit Proof Fence boundary rider. He protected a young part-Aboriginal girl, later marrying her. Yibbie had ten children with Bob George.

Bowyangs and Boomerangs by M.J. O'Reilly
Murina Mick's account of life in Western Australia, Northern Territory, South Australia and Tasmania and his mining of gold, wolfram, opals and osmiridium. Swagging, Afghans, camels, mica mines and life from the 1890s in the Australian bush.

Brand on his Coat, The by Rica Erickson
The Brand on his Coat relates the histories of a few of the nine and a half thousand convicts who were transported to Western Australia during 1850 to 1868.
proposals for development.

A collection of reports, letters, etc. by Barker on the NW. Details of his exploration to the east of the Oakover River and

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John Fitzhardinge was in Greece and Crete with the Artillery during World War II and was eventually taken prisoner by the crew of an Italian submarine and incarcerated in Italy and Germany.

Fighting the Kimberley - The 3 Australian Corps Kimberley Guerrilla Warfare Group, 1942-1943 by Peter J Bridge
ISBN 978-0-85905-501-7, (2012 N), 356pp, A4, 311 illusts., indexed, section sewn, soft cover, 1kg +, $60.00*
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Finch Trapping in the Kimberley. A History of Commercial Finch Trapping in the Kimberley Division of Western Australia by Kevin Coate and Lance Merritt
ISBN 978-0-85905-621-2, (New, 2015), 275h x 200, limp cover, 408pp, illustrated with 48 color and 9 sepia plates, 1350 grams, $85.00*
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The author was a key figure in the Sydney search. This is the story of the finding of the great ship and of the personal journey of the author in dealing with her husband's dementia. A very readable story from both the maritime and medical views.

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Austin led the expedition inland and north to the Murchison. His horses were poisoned and Charles Farmer died from lockjaw. They were reduced to drinking the urine of themselves and the remaining horses. They discovered the first gold field in WA but political reasons prevented the disclosure. Previously hidden government correspondence and illustrations by Fraser, the artist with the expedition are published for the first time

First Actor on the Goldfields, The by Tom Cannam
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English actor 'Tom Cannam', Thomas Arthur Sowden, 1863-1940s, arrived in Australia in 1891 and soon ended up at the Coolgardie rush. A long life on the stage made him a household name between the wars. This is his autobiographical account of his travails in early Coolgardie.

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For Those Who Remembered Bob True, A History of Whitfords Reward, Gregory Hills by Peter J. Bridge with Ian Murray
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Forgotten Explorers, The: - pioneer geologists of Western Australia, 1826 – 1926 by John Glover with Jenny Bevan.
Who were the great Australian explorers? - Most people immediately think of men like Burke and Wills, Giles, Sturt, Grey, Stuart, Leichhardt, Kennedy and Eyre: and it is true that, besides their achievements, all of these suffered great hardships, and some perished, making them more memorable historically.

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From Wales to Gwalia - A Swansea editor and his Australian goldmine by Alwyn Evans
ISBN 978-0-85905-630-4, (2016, New), A4, heavily illustrated – b&w and colour, well referenced and indexed, 184pp, 515 grams, $50.00*
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A classic of Australian military history.


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The history of the now forgotten port and timber export town and area at Karridale, near Augusta. Details of the timber cutting, mills, ships and shipping, and the Davies empire from the archives, police files and shipping records.


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Gold on the Murchison by Phil Heydon. ISBN 0 85905 066 1, (1986, 2008), 221pp, illustrated, Soft Cover, 315 grams, $35.00

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Gold Stealers, The by Brian Purdue
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Golden Land of Silence - A Tale of the Kimberleys by A.O Neville
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The search for gold and the hazards of pearling. A vivid picture of life in the early days of the unexplored North.

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ISBN 0 85905 262 1, (1999 New), Hard Cover, 140pp, illustrated, 390grams, $40.00*
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ISBN 978-0-85905-792-9 , (New, 2020), A4, illustrated, indexed, 88 pages, 290 grams, $35.00*
From the 1890s to the 1960s he recorded N. Coolgardie goldfields life, of both aboriginals and the prospectors.

Goldfields without Chrysanthemums, The by Catherine Bond
First published in 1898 as a portion of a larger book, this booklet contains all the WA goldfields portion of Bond’s goldfields visit in 1896. How the well-heeled did it tough in the goldrush. Well worth a read to get the women’s flavour of the fields.

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ISBN 0 85905 340 7, (2005 reprint of 1932 edition), Soft Cover, 516pp, 800grams $66.00* Direct sale only
Herbert Hoover, President of the United States of America, 1928-1932, worked for Bewick, Moreing and Co. on the Sons of Gwalia mine at Leonora, Western Australia, in 1897 and 1898

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Indian Ocean Whalers on the West Coast of New Holland by Rod Dickson ISBN 978-0-85905-597-0, (New, 2015), A4, 22 pp, 95grams, $22.00*
This is a companion volume to the immense, The history of the Whalers on the South Coast of New Holland from 1800 – 1888, by Rod Dickson. Hesperian Press, 2007. The West Coast book lists the whalers alphabetically, with master, tonnage and rig, home port, date sailed and to which whaling ground. While not detailed to the extent of the South Coast volume, the gems of information on WA costal activities are of great interest.

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Frank Mather was an inventor and engineer whose work was renowned in the WA wheatbelt. This book details his work on gas producers, farming implements, and refurbishing and recycling the Eastern Goldfields water pipeline.

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Jarrahland Jingler, The. The wit and short stories of EG (Dryblower) Murphy, edited by Chris Holyday.
The goldfielder poet who was the core of the Sunday Times for many years.

JINGEMIA by Peter J. Bridge
ISBN 978-0-85905-754-7, (New, 2019), A4, 16 pages, illustrated, 80 grams, $22.00*
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ISBN 978-0-85905-061-6 (N, 2010), A4, 64pp, 210g, $22.00*
In 1894 John Dunn discovered the Wealth of Nations Gold Mine at Dunnville, NE of Coolgardie.

John Morrell - Northam and Beyond by Michael J. Duggan
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The history of the Northam Morrell family from England to Western Australia.

Journal of Gerald De Courcy Lefroy, The edited and annotated by Bruce and Anne Buchanan
ISBN 978-0-85905-468-3, (2010), casebound, 361pp, 1kg, $80.00*
This is probably the most readable of all the extant colonial journals. It covers the 1840s and early 1850s, with an outline of De Courcy’s life to the 1870s.

Journal of the Brockman Drovers Expedition of 1874-75 to the North of Western Australia, The edited by Nan Broad with Peter Bridge.
The story of one of the greatest early stock droves in Australia.

ISBN 0 85905 184 6, (Facsimile 1993 reprint of 1902 edition), Soft Cover, 62pp, quarto, illustrated, map, 250gams, $30.00*
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ISBN 978-0-85905-656-8, (Reprint 1893 + New 2018), Casebound, section sewn, illustrated - b&w and colour, maps, indexed, 397 pages, 1.08 kg, $105.00*
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Journals of Australian Exploration 1846-1861 by A.C. and F.T. Gregory
ISBN 0 85905 258 3, (2002 reprint of 1884 edition with 20% larger text), Soft Cover, illustrated, 340grams, $35.00
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Judex – Judging the Fields by Fred Casey, edited by Peter Bridge with Celene Bridge.
ISBN 0 85905 421 7, (2007 New), Soft cover, A4, 37pp, saddle, 150 grams, $22.00*
Fred was the surveyor of the Kalgoorlie Council and a prospector who died on the dumps, chasing the wily weight. He was the first historian of early Kalgoorlie

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On the Aborigines of Australia by Augustus Oldfield, with introduction by H. Henderson
Oldfield was a botanical collector with a great interest in Aboriginals. This 1864 work with an extensive introduction by H.H. is virtually unknown to anthropologists and is not known in most libraries. It describes the natives of the Port Gregory area at the mouth of the Murchison River in a detail that few others aspired to until the 1890s. Graphic descriptions of incidents and deaths (including executions).

One Life’s Journey by Edward Holthouse
Holthouse’s autobiography and the history of Muccan Station, in the Pilbara of Western Australia.

One Man’s Gold by H Cooper
978-0-85905-451-5, (1934), A4, 49pp Soft Cover, 165 grams, $22.00*.
Foolshome in the years after WW1 Cooper sets out to find a gold mine of his own in the Eastern Goldfields. How he succeeded in the middle of the Great Depression.

Ontology of book burning, The. Burnt, shredded, pulped, censored, suppressed, stolen and destroyed books, documents and artefacts in Western Australia by Peter J Bridge
ISBN 978-0-85905-476-8, (2009), 17pp, A4, 90 grams, $10.00*
The subtitle says it all without the adjectives! Details of the criminal rorts by the ‘keepers’ of our records and heritage. A wave of these lowlifes has flooded our institutions and destroyed much of the records. Without knowledge of the past one cannot understand the present, or plan the future. Dedicated to Prof Leslie R Marchant, 1924 – 2004. A doughty fighter for the integrity of historical archives.

Our Western Australian Home. Being Sketches of Scenery and Society in the Colony by George J. Webb, Esq., D.A.C.G. (edited and annotated by Geoff Blackburn, Steve Errington and Peter J. Bridge)
George Webb lived in Perth from April 1839 until January 1848, working in the commissariat building (where the Supreme Court now stands), and progressing from Assistant Clerk to D.A.C.G (Deputy Assistant Commissary General) by December 1845. He was a ‘young man about town’, organising Assembly balls and Foundation Day regattas, singing at St Patrick’s Day dinners and taking part in Perth’s first amateur theatricals.
To enlighten his family and friends back home about life at Swan River he wrote lengthy ‘sketches’ including descriptions of Perth and its lifestyle plus reports of visiting the Aboriginal prison on Rottnest Island, fighting a bushfire on Mount Eliza, visiting the caves at Yanchep, and sitting in at a session of the Legislative Council. He also included a description of seasonal changes at Lake Monger and a lengthy portrait of an Aboriginal youth called Warrup, his manservant.
The sketches were published in 1847, in monthly issues of the London newspaper the Swan River News, providing us with a snapshot of life in Perth around 1841-43.

Out and About with Tommy and Me by C. Fitzgerald Fraser
Fraser loved the bush. Leaving his farm he reported on the new places of the wheat belt to as far north as Geraldton & USA generally, Mexico, China, Trinidad, British Guiana, Burma., etc. He died in Brisbane in 1938.

Outback Trail, The by Gus Luck
Luck was one of Western Australia’s most experienced bushmen when he passed on his bush skills to David Carnegie, who later wrote the classic Spinifex and Sand. Luck writes of his life and experiences in the bush, camels, natives, prospecting, people, and more, in a fascinating story of the 1880s to 1930s.

Over the Hills. A History of York 1834 – 1880 by Roger Jennings
A detailed history of York in its first 50 years. An important book of the first inland settlement.
Overlanders – Crossing the Nullarbor, 1870s – 1970s, The by Peter J Bridge with Ian Murray ISBN 978-0-85905-496-6, 2011, illus., indexed, A4, 313pp, 850 grams, $55.00*
This collection contains all the pre WWII material on Nullarbor crossings that could be found. The emphasis is on those who travelled by boot, bicycle, camel, horse, wheelbarrow, covered wagon, and early cars and motorbikes. It covers a century in time, but is not a history of the Nullarbor, which is yet to come.

Over the Plates edited by Peter J. Bridge and Graeme Blake Each 45-53 pages, A4, ~170 grams each, Total weight 6 vols = 1kg, $25.00 each volume.
Six volumes of the best true stories and reminiscences of the early goldfields from the 1890s to the 1930s.

The classic of Northern Territory pastoral exploration. Bluey Buchanan, old "Paraway", was one of Australia’s greatest bushmen. His life story is told by his son who went with him on his later expeditions.

Paddy Baker (1898-1988) was born in Yundamindra on the north-eastern goldfields of W.A. As a boy he became an assistant projectionist to a travelling picture man in Sandstone, and his love of films and their showing never left him.

Paddy the Flat: The life of Patrick Leahey Australian hero, prospector, publican, and fighter for Digger rights. Collected and edited by Peter J Bridge.
ISBN 978-0-85905-065-4, 2010 new, A4, 29pp, illust. 120g, $16.00*
Paddy was one of the great Australian characters of the late 19C. Born in Ireland in 1819, British Army in the Kaffir Wars, then to Victoria, Bendigo, Eureka Stockade, Lambing Flat, north Queensland, Kimberley, and then to the Murchison.

Padre Plod by Barry May ISBN 0 85905 424 1 (New 2007), Soft Cover, 265 pages, 355 grams, $30.00
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On a vibrant sly grog seller and demi monde of Laverton. She cut a swathe through the underworld of the early goldfields and her customers sometimes died violently. Pansy died destitute, after seeing the light internally, from a box of wax match heads.

Pastoral Pioneers of W.A. 1884-1889 by E.T. Hooley ISBN 0 85905 331 8, (2004 New), Soft Cover, A4, 72pp, 210 grams, $22.00*
Hooley, writing under the name of 'Bucolic' described many pastoral properties from the Kimberley to the Southwest.

New edition updated to 2001, with 11 more pages. Paynes Find, 400 kilometres north of Perth, is one of Western Australia’s most isolated towns and to most people represents nothing more than a fleeting change in the scenery when travelling the Great Northern Highway.

Pearling Days The pearling voyage of the Sarah to the North West and Kimberley in 1889 and 1881, with an appendix on the death of WH Lowe during an expedition NE of the Gascoyne in late 1881 by John Brockman ISBN 978-0-85905-488-1, (2010, New), A4, 270g, 89pp, $30.00*
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Pearls and Pearling Life by EW Streeter ISBN 0 85905 255 9, (1886 reprint 2007), Hard Cover, 340 pp, illust, 835 grams, $116.00*
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Perched on the Rails by Bruce Paterson ISBN 0 85905 187 0, (1993 New), Soft Cover, 166pp, illustrated, 225grams, $22.00
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An incisive examination of Broome in its heyday.

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Pharmacy Apprenticeship Education in Western Australia by Bruce Sutherland ISBN 978-0-85905-828-5, (New, 2020), 160 x 240, illustrated, 80 pages, 230 grams, $30.00*
This book describes the background to the commencement of pharmacy and its statutory recognition in Western Australia. It particularly focusses on the history of pharmacy education. This was a special arrangement which commenced in 1903 between the pharmacy profession and Perth Technical College. Pharmacy education was embodied within the Department of Chemistry at Perth Technical College. It traces the factors that influenced the nature of the education and responsibility for the practitioners that qualified from the only course available to the public in
Western Australia. The role of apprenticeship education is debated and how it affected pharmacy education in Western Australia, until the course closure in 1968.


153 B&W photos taken on the expedition, of Aboriginals, landscapes, settlers, expedition members. Never before released photos of the Mjoberg expedition and an important collection that will create interest in camps on both sides of the creek.

Pigeon by WC Charnley
ISBN 978-0-85905- 006-7, (2010, R), 31pp, illust, SC, B5, 60g, $10.00*

This narrative describes the hectic career of an Australian aboriginal who first learned all that the whites could teach him, and then turned against them. Placing himself at the head of a gang of "cultivate-killers," he waged pitiless war on man and beast alike, and for over three years defied all efforts to capture him. Nemesis overtook him at last, but the cattlemen breathed a sigh of relief when the scourge of ranges was laid low.

Pilbara Bushman – The Life Experience of W. Dunn by Graham J. Wilson

An intriguing story of part-Aboriginal pastoralist Billy Dunn. While working with Pilbara pioneers Dunn was encouraged to learn and to achieve. He graduated to managing stock stations and achieved ownership of his own station.

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Pioneer Father - Pioneer Son - York to the Gascowyne with the Collins family by Bonnie Milne
ISBN 978-0-85905-075-5, (2010, new), A4, illust., 136pp, 360g, $30.00*

Charles Collins was born at Worth in Sussex, England on the 4th December 1825. He came to the colony of Western Australia on the Simon Taylor in 1842, as an indentured labourer. Four days after landing in Fremantle, he walked up the rugged Green Mount into the Avon district to work as a shepherd and there he lived the rest of his life.

Pioneering in the Kimberleys by Hamlet Cornish

Hamlet and Anthony Cornish of Pinjarra were part of the Murray Squatting Company, a syndicate formed to take up land in the Kimberley after the explorations of Alexander Forrest.

Pioneers of NorWest - Pastoral and Pearling by Lockier Clere Burger

The author was an early pioneer of the NW and wrote the reminiscences in 1911. The original copies are extremely rare.

Pioneers of the Forensic Division of the Western Australian Police Force by John Horton
ISBN 978-0-85905-839-1, (2020), A4, 53 pages, heavily illustrated, 190 grams, $35.00*

Covers the development of all aspects of forensic work and the men who pioneered the techniques.

Pirates of the Ethel, The by George Stacy, William Charnley, Peter J. Bridge

In 1898 a pearler of Broome hired cheap foreign labour in Singapore. They promptly gutted him and his crew. Later the WA Police tracked them to Macassar and they were extradited and hung at Fremantle Prison. This is to be part of a series on piracy and the joys of multiculturalism.

Police and other People by Mick Liddelow

With a Foreword by Police Historian, Peter Conole. Vincent Wallace Liddelow, 1903-1982, joined the Police in 1925 as No. 1512. He was first attached to Central Police, then Fremantle and the Water Police.

Pompey’s Story. A Man for His Time by Nerina Coopes

‘Pompey’ Gull was a master pearler from his youth. His independent life led to the 10th Light Horse and the Imperial Camel Corps in WWI, fighting with such as Lawrence and at Damascus in the Great Ride where he earned the Military Cross for clearing machine gun nests. Postwar he helped quell Egyptian rioting and in 1920 was instrumental in controlling the hordes of Japanese and Koepanger race riots at Broome. A great story of a type of Australian now rarely seen.

Poonawala and the seekers of its emeralds by Alex Palmer

Ever since the discovery of emeralds in 1912 by Harry Ryan, Poonawala and its emeralds has exercised the imagination of prospectors, miners, and collectors. The brilliant green emeralds in the black green biotite schist have fascinated everyone from princes to prospectors.

Price of a Pearl, The by Rod Dickson

The hardships of men in the pearling industry in the northwest of Western Australia. Many of these men were never to see their homelands again and were buried in lonely, mostly unmarked graves, scattered along the vast distances of the northwest coast or consigned to the depths of the sea. Divers, tenders, crew members, shellopeners, skippers and owners all paid the ultimate price through carelessness, wild nature, storms and cyclones. More than a thousand deaths with hundreds of luggers, schooners and ketches wrecked, all for the price of a pearl.*

Prisoners of the Past. Compiled by Calliope Bridge, Celene Bridge, Angela Teague, Mark Chambers & Tom Hogarth.
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**Producer Gas Plants**, Hoskins Foundry.  

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The results and adventures of 40 years of detector prospecting statewide.

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**Prospecting Poultry. Land of Forests, Fleas and Flies. Jack Sorenson and his Lost Verse** by Peter J. Bridge with Gail Dreezens.  

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**Pump, The** by Marshall Walker.  
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Life on No 7 Pumping Station on the goldfields’ pipeline in the early 1950s.

**Queensland Aborigines, The** by W. E. Roth.  

Some of the most significant ethnographic material ever published on the Australian Aborigines. Over 1,500 photographs, line drawings and maps in three magnificent volumes. This is essential for all interested in Aboriginal culture.

**Ramblings of a Ratbag** by Colin Doig.  
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The autobiography of the author of History of the 2nd Independent Company & 2/2 Commando Squadron (available from Hesperian Press). Initially privately circulated, this autobiography is a great story of unconventional life and is of course politically incorrect, as any book worth reading must be. From childhood through the Great Depression, to a boxing troupe, con merchants, farming, the army and the only units undefeated by the Jap hurricane.

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Michael Dwyer, patriot, his life in Ireland and Australia, his trial and exile. Charged with Rebellion he was sent to Norfolk Island until his release to his farm in New South Wales where he died in 1825.

**Red Dust in the Blood** by Antony Spring.  
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**Reminiscences of by-gone Menzies by the Old Fossicker & On the Northern Fields** by Henry Harris.  
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Ngarinyin Elder and community leader, Eddie Bear shares his family story with Dr Robert Hoskin, researcher and retired minister of the Uniting Church. The story begins with life in the remote land of Majaddin in the West Kimberley and continues through colonialist incursions as Eddie’s family took refuge at the Munja Aboriginal feeding station on the Kimberley Coast. Following Munja’s demise, the family joined with other Ngarinyin families working on pastoral stations (Kimberley Downs and Napier). Eddie and his siblings grew up on these stations and would later seek work in this developing industry.

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ISBN 978-0-85905-560-4, (1907, R2013), A4, 236pp, 655g, $60.00*.

This ground-shaking report of a century ago changed goldfields life forever. While referred to multiple times in the daily rags there are no copies in the government library system, including the Battye. It may be that, like the Belgian governments investigation of Herbert Hoover’s crooked rorts, all copies were purchased and destroyed. Luckily a single copy surfaced from which this copy is produced in a small run. 5707 questions asked but few real answers were given.
Many leading GF men decided it was wise to have a holiday for the duration of the investigation. This is the precursor to a book on gold stealing due out shortly.

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Russian Jack by P.J. Bridge
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Saddle in the Kitchen by Enga Smith
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Sailor and Commando by A.E. (Ted) Jones
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Available direct from the author (MOB: 0405 956 679, simondoyle123@yahoo.com)

Samuel Grau Hubbe and the South Australia to Western Australia Stock Route Expedition 1895-1896. SG Hubbe. edited by Andrew Gun Peake. (WAEDP series.)
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Sand and Stone - Cattle and Conflict by Kevin Moran
ISBN 978-0- 85905-449-2, (New, 2010), illust., A4, 436pp, 2Vols, 1.2kg, $80.00* 
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Sand and Stone continues to chronicle the story of the violent hidden history of Western Australia’s Kimberley Region in this two part volume ‘Cattle and Conflict’.

Sand and Stone – Foreign footprints. Police in the Kimberley 1880 – 1890s by Kevin Moran
It is a chronicle of verifiable and uncontestable truth of the violent hidden history of Western Australia’s Kimberley Region. It provides an account of colonial police officers and settlers of Western Australia; their tribulations, bravery and sacrifice in this furthest frontier of Western Australia.

Sand and Stone - Pigeon by Kevin Moran - with a Foreword by Peter Conole
This is Pigeon’s story and of those who suffered his reign of terror and the men who hunted him.

Save the Union ed. by John C. Rice
ISBN 978-0-85905-853-7, (c1920 R 2020), 160x240, illustrated, 80 pages, 150 grams, $30.00*

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Shrew and the Horsethief, The

By Peter J Bridge & Sheryl Milentis
ISBN 978-0-85905-538-3, (new, 2012), A4, 88pp, illus., 270 grams, $30.00*

James Cody was a charismatic young WA bushranger in the 1880s. He was shot by the police at Esperance. Research showed a strange colonial background with his mother hung for murder in the old Perth gaol. A long forgotten but interesting story.

Signaller at the Front by Arthur G. Howell, MM.

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Six-Mile Murder, The. Rifles and Rotgut, Mary Jane Wain and James Conley.


The murder and trial that created a sensation in WA in 1897.

Sketches from the South West: Louis Cox in Peace and War.

By Peter J Bridge & Gail Dreezens

Louis Cox (1878-1975) was a returned soldier of the 16th Bn, who had, after working as a survey hand, started clearing a block near Kojonup. His reminiscences about the land and its people together with his own drawings make this a delightful read. More somber is the second part where as a soldier, he was captured and imprisoned in Germany in 1917.

Slash and Burn - Flint or firestick: Subincision and kindred rites of the Australian Aboriginal.

By Herbert Basedow

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Small Scale Underground Mining For Prospectors, Tributors and Mine Owners

By F.W. Bojesen
ISBN 0 85905 292 3, (2003 New), A4, wire spiral bound,170pp, illustrated, 440+grams, $ 40.00*

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Some account of the New Colony of Western Australia etc.

By William Milligan

An important colonial description of the colony and the natives.

Some Ghosts Some Not

By Eloise I Sharp

This book was first published privately in 1979 and has never been easy to obtain. Now a new edition with minor updates and with the colour photos on a gloss paper is available. Eloise and her husband were post war English migrants who took to the Australian bush as the proverbial duck to water. They lived in many places - Dirk Hartog Island and Deepdale Station being just two, and Eloise's passion was bush history. She would stop anywhere to talk to bush people and enjoy a cup of tea, a characteristic passed on to her daughter, Mary Taylor of Northampton, who has produced several local histories and Volume 1 of The Bushman's Directory.

Some notes on scientific travel amongst the black population of tropical Australia, 1904-1906.

By Hermann Klaatsch

A valuable, interesting and entertaining work.

Spanish Settlers of Yoongarilup

By Alejandro Torrent
ISBN 0 646 16939 4, (1993 New), Soft Cover, 74pp, illustrated, 105grams, $10.00

A little-known migrant group near Busselton in the south west of Western Australia who arrived between 1906 and 1909.
**Spinifex and Hessian. Women in North-West Australia, 1860-1900.** Susan Hunt.
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**Spinifex and Sand** by David W. Carnegie
ISBN 0 85905 139 0, (1989 reprint of 1898 edition), Soft Cover, 275pp, illustrated, 500grams, $30.00
A first hand account of the Coolgardie gold rush, the suffering of the prospectors, gold great discoveries, his own long march with typhoid fever, desert tribes, the constant search for water, the death of one of his men, and the vastness of the surrounding desert. All are woven together in one of the most readable accounts of exploration in Australia.

**Spinifex and Sand - Maps**
(1989 re-print of 1898 edition), 280grams, $22.00
Set of four large maps illustrating Carnegie's journey.

**State and position of Western Australia commonly called The Swan River Settlement, The** by Captain Frederick Chidley Irwin. With an extensive biographical introduction by Peter Conole.
ISBN 978-0-85905-780-6, (New, 2019), 240 x 160, French flaps, 168 pages, 300 grams, $40.00*
Hesperian Press takes particular pride in resurrecting this remarkable work from undeserved and disgraceful obscurity. Frederick Irwin’s book, the first large scale study of Western Australia, was published in London in 1835. Our facsimile of that now very rare book is greatly enhanced by inclusion of a 19-page biographical sketch of its author by Peter Conole. This study of an important colonial figure includes material which has eluded the attention of historians and will both dispel various inaccuracies and clarify his career and importance to WA. Irwin’s ‘State and Position’ is very well written and both frank and forthright in tackling controversial issues. In the course of nine chapters and an appendix Irwin provided brilliant word paintings of living and working conditions for settlers. He was always forthright in offering opinions, such as his hatred of convict systems. He also had a fine eye for detail in discussing a range of civic affairs and the future prospects of the colony.

**Steadfast Endeavour** by Graham Wilson

**Stealing by the Mile** by W. C. Charnley
ISBN 978-0-85905-644-1, (1920s, R, 2016), A4, facsimile, illustrated, 100 pages, 290 grams, $25.00*

**Steam in the Forests** by MRH Southcombe
The South West timber industry relied upon steam engines of many types. Mills, whisks, trains, haulers, traction engines, all were part of the bush scene, now looked upon in a romantic light. This is the story of steam in the forests, the men, the animals, and the forests by an old timberman. Maurice Southcombe died in 2000.

**Stitching the Stock Route Eileen Lanagan first woman down the Canning.** edited by Phil Bianchi, Peter Bridge, Ethel Bianchi, Angela Teague, Maria Bloomfield.
Contains her diary and a biography by Miriam Howard-Wright with details of their life on Wongawol Station, Eileen’s bush cookery book, obituaries and details of the graves at CSR Well 40.

**String of the Last Wreath, transcribed, The** by Ray Scott.
The Hall’s Creek goldfields diary of Henry Berand.
Henry Berand emigrated from Prussia to Australia, via New Zealand, around 1852, apparently following the Gold Rushes in the Eastern States. About 1887 Henry with his young wife and daughter migrated to the Kimberley Gold Fields at Halls Creek in search of their fortune.

**Stout-Hearted – the story of Stephen Montague Stout** by Irma Walter
ISBN 978-0-85905-565-9, (2014, New), A4, illustrated, SC, 162pp, 455g, $35.00*
Stephen Montague Stout was one of the 10,000 convicts sent to WA in the 1850s. His education, personal charm and intelligence both charmed and antagonised the colonials. Starting as a teacher he became a renowned photographer, journalist, and publisher.
This is one of the most interesting colonial biographies to have been written and will create a wider audience for our almost forgotten past.

**Suicides and Settlers - Their place in 19th Century West Australian social history** by Claire McIntyre
This book is a social history of 19th Century Western Australia told through the 315 suicides recorded here from the towns of the Swan settlement, Fremantle, Perth and Guildford. They also reach from the Kimberley to Esperance and the distant deserts.

**Sunrise – the Fred and Elsie Colson story** by Alb Colson.
The story of the NT pioneer family who arrived in 1927 to work on the Oodnadatta to Alice railway. Carting, mining, the Lasseter expedition, searching for lost airmen, purchase of Aileron Station in 1934, WWII contracting. Fred and Elsie became some of the best known of the Centralian personalities.

**Swan River Aborigines, The** by George Fletcher Moore
These lost writings of Moore are important documentation on the natives of the Perth area. Essential reading for all interested. This is another example of the SLWA non-system that lost both the original documents and has failed to index the information in its Clayton’s catalogue.
10,000 Hours by Harry Moss  
The autobiography of a flying doctor pilot and his adventures in aircraft from the 1930s to the present in New South Wales, Northern Territory, Victoria, Queensland, New Guinea and the Solomon Islands.

28th Battalion, Australian Imperial Force, The. A record of war service by Harry K Kahan  
ISBN 0 85905 391 1, (1969 reprint 2007), Soft Cover, A4, 140 pp, illust, 410 grams, $30.00*  
The story of the 28th in France in WWI. Collett’s volume covers the unit until they arrived in France and Kahan continues the story.

Tales of the Overland - Queensland to Kimberley in 1885 by G.H. Lamond  
A Kimberley classic reprinted  
In Queensland in 1885 Barney Lamond and his mate Jack Horrigan heard of gold in the Kimberley. Looking for land and adventure they rode their horses thousands of miles through the wild outback, surviving attacks by natives, thirst and accidents to become some of the first men on the goldfield which changed the history of WA. Barney Lamond died in 1940 but he had dictated his story, now published for the first time. It is one of the best and most interesting of pioneer accounts of the north.

Tall Trees and Tall Tales by J. Morris and R. Underwood  
ISBN 0 85905 168 4, (1992 New), Soft Cover, 94pp, illustrated, 150grams, $22.00  
Stories of old Pemberton. A marvellous reminiscence of the characters and places of the big timber country, in the South West of Western Australia.

Teams and Teamsters edited by Peter J Bridge, Gail Dreezens & Angela Teague  
ISBN 978-0-85905-433-1, (New 2010), A4, illustrated, 147pp, soft cover, 430 grams, $35.00*  
This collection of articles from the files of Hesperian Press compares the usefulness of bullocks, donkeys, mules, horses, and camels. It then details the working of these teams.

Terry's Story - A Good Life by Terry McKrill  
ISBN 978-0-85905-023-4, (2010), A4, 75pp, 253 grams, $22.00*  
The autobiography of Terry McKrill born in 1935. Brought up in the suburbs, Boranup, army life, Muralgarr sheep station, Marble Bar, Yarrie, Wittenoom, trucking, Bell Brothers, roo shooting, Ashburton, fencing, metal detector prospecting with Dick Poland, East Murchison.

There's Gold There – Look For It by John Drayton, with a biographical introduction by Peter J Bridge  
ISBN 978-0-85905-544-4, (R New 2013), A4, 128pp, 380g, $30.00*  
60 true tales of real finds and lost mines from Queensland to the Kimberley. Treasures from the files of John Drayton, prospector and journalist of the 1890s to 1940s. This could be the jackpot for a modern prospector.

Then They Called Me Norma by Norma King  
ISBN 0 85905 124 2, (2003 New), Soft Cover, 278pp, illustrated, 385grams, $30.00  
The autobiography of Goldfields author/historian and artist, Norma King.

Thermo-Electrical Cooking Made Easy by Helen Nora Curle Smith, with an introductory essay, “The Kalgoorlie Stove”, by H.A. Willis  
ISBN 978-0-85905-492-8, (2011 R+N), illust., 116pp., 230g, $22.00  
In 1906-07, the Western Australian gold mining city of Kalgoorlie became the first place in the world to see an electric stove manufactured with the intention of bringing “cooking by electricity ... within the reach of anyone”. The ambitious enterprise brought about another world first - the publication of a recipe book for electric cooking.

They Called Me Tjampu-Tjilpi by Bob Verburgt  
ISBN 0 85905 248 6, (1999 New), Soft Cover, 144pp, illustrated, 225grams, $22.00  
The bush experience of the author as a patrol officer in the Western Desert in the 1950s and 1960s.

They Kept This State Afloat by Rod Dickson  
ISBN 0 85905 214 1, (1998 New), Hard Cover, 344pp, illustrated, 640grams, $50.00*  
Details the life and work of all Western Australian boat builders from 1829 to 1929.

They're Racing at Landor by P.R. Heydon  
The history of the people, horses and place of the fabled Landor bush races of the North West of Western Australia. A racing classic.

They Simply Fade Away – with the 48th in France by J A Williamson  
John Alexander Williamson, 1886 – 1971, was born at Bonnyrigg, Scotland and emigrated to Australia in 1911. His life as a migrant, struggling to get a start, is detailed in an appendix to this book. Williamson enlisted in the AIF in 1916, on his second attempt, and served in the 48th Battalion in France. As many other Westralians did in the tween wars years, Williamson tested his writing skills in The Western Mail columns. Under the non-de-plume of “Don Zed (48th), Perth” he published anecdotes and reminiscences of his war experiences. One of these has been included as an appendix.

Thomas Edwards of Beverley: Emigrant, Policeman, Settler by Mollie Bentley  
ISBN 0 85905 076 9, (1985 New), Hard and Soft Cover, 115pp, illustrated, HC 290grams, SC 180grams, HC $28.00, SC $22.00  
The biography of an early colonial policeman, with much detail of the Police Force from 1850 to 1868. Details of explorations with E.H. Hargraves for gold and C.C. Hunt for land, Aboriginal contacts, and the development of the areas to the east of the Colony’s capital.
Those Were The Days by Arthur Reid
ISBN 0 85905 101 3, (1986 reprint of 1933 edition with new material), Hard Cover, 418pp, illustrated, quarto, 1.5kg, $95.00*
An important reminiscing history of Coolgardie and Kalgoorlie. Biographical details of more than 400 early goldfielders. Fully indexed.

Three Families Outback in Australia's Tropic North by Florence Martin
The story of the families on Carlton Hill, Ningbing, and Legune Stations in the early 1900s.

Through Aurumalia by A J Vogan.
Arthur Vogan was a journalist, explorer, photographer, artist. These are his reports on the mines of Kalgoorlie and the surrounding areas in the mid 1890s.

Through Bush and Scrub - Travels in the North among the Stations by Norman Malcolm (Canmore)
Journalist and returned soldier, Norman Malcolm (d1926), once well known, and whose biography is outlined, wrote of developing pastoral stations of the North. This collection describes the people, districts, travel, and stations, 1923-1926.

Through Spinifex and Sand to the Last Desert Family by William J. Peasley
ISBN 978-0-85905-590-1, (2015, New), A4, 100pp, well illustrated, indexed, 300 grams, $30.00*
Bill Peasley and his associates travelled to the Great Sandy Desert in 1976. They brought into civilisation the last of the 'wild' aboriginals who had, because of tribal laws, chosen to live a free life in the desert. This is the story of the expedition, the family, and earlier travels in that area.

Through the Murchisons. The Peak Hill, Murchison, and Yalgoo Fields in 1904. Daisy Bates.
Daisy Bates was an intrepid reporter who was well used to tough travelling. She examined many of the Murchison mines in their fledgling days.

Time of the Brogla by Jean Bull
Jean Bull, a prominent Queensland rural journalist, weaves a picture of station life in southwest Queensland in the early 20th century from the perspective of a child growing up in the outback. This is a narrative composed of poignant literary sketches of life on Tiranna station interspersed with interesting anecdotes and socio-historical details. This book records an important epoch of post-World War I station history.

To Call Our Own by M.R.H. Southcombe
The pioneering of the Group Settlements, Kalgoorlie in the depression, riots on the goldfields, and timber milling.

To King George the Third Sound for Whales by Rod Dickson
To King George the Third Sound for Whales. A voyage aboard the British Whaling Vessel Kingston of London, Captain Thomas Dennis. 1800-1802. Transcribed from the original ship's logbook by Rod Dickson.
To King George the Third Sound for Whales is one of the seminal documents of Western Australia and describes the voyage of the first whaling ship to WA, just nine years after the voyage of Vancouver, and a year before Matthew Flinders 'rediscovered' King George the Third Sound. And of even more importance, 26 years before the 1826 settlement of Albany.

To the Bar Bonded by Kath Mallet
A history of Marble Bar by Mrs Mallet, ex Limestone Station. A fascinating look at this quintessential Western Australian outback town from its beginnings.

ISBN 978-0-85905-704-2, (New, 2019), 160 x 240mm, 712 pp, colour and black and white illustrations, maps, indexed, hard cover, 2kg+, $140.00*.
An important contribution to the history of WA covering all that periods 65 expeditions, including many that were previously unknown. Includes for the first time all the colour plates of Forrest in the 1870s. Over 150 illustrations and maps.

To the Savage Land - the life of John Costello by M.J. Costello
In the 1880s John Costello, a pastoralist from Yass who had settled on Coopers Creek, purchased Lake Nash Station. He then opened up the wild country on the Limmen River of the Northern Territory, fighting disease, drought, malaria, hostile natives and cattle thieves. He eventually lost the battle but never forgot the promise of his savage land.

To Wallal … and Back. The story of a Mullewa Drover. by Joan Ridley.
Ned Ridley was well known WA drover. This trip during WWII was blightened by disaster for the sheep, but is a good record of a traditional droving trip.

Tom’s Story - An Autobiography by Thomas Fisher
When Tom Fisher was growing up on a farm in Western Australia in the 1920's, and during the Depression of the 1930's, he could never have imagined that he would take part in some of the toughest naval battles of World War II. Able Seaman Tom Fisher commenced his war service on 3 September 1939 and, except for a brief period in late 1945, served at sea throughout the war.
Bushman, tracker, drover, stockman, pastoralist, Aboriginal Ningeborg was an extraordinary individual. C1904-1978 he spent most of his life in the wider Wiluna area. He was a favourite of the local people and many are the stories of his solidly and of course his little quirks. This biography places on record his life and peoples appreciation of him. He was the principal witness in the trial of the murderers of trapper Joe Wilkins in 1937 and in a rustling trial in the 1970s. He was one of the first Aboriginals to have his own pastoral Lease.

Toodyay - the good old days by Wally Chitty edited by Chris Martin
ISBN 0 85905 342 3, (2004), Soft Cover, 248pp, 240x160mm, 150+ photos, maps, 415grams, $35.00
A magnificent new book on Toodyay - an anecdotal snapshot of life in times gone by.

Toodyay Gold compiled by Peter J Bridge and Angela Teague
Toodyay, one of the earliest settlements in Western Australia, dating from the 1830s, and the scene of many interesting incidents, showed that after a century of occupation it had more secrets to reveal, when in 1931, early in the first Great Depression, town and party discovered payable gold in Yinniding Creek, eight miles south-west of the town. This is an example of resources expanding to fill the needs.

Toodyay Homesteads by Rica Erickson & Robyn Taylor
An invaluable book for anyone interested in Western Australia’s rural heritage. It describes the evolution of the Toodyay District and the farming properties that have operated since the 1830s and 1840s. The book takes the reader on a journey from Morby Cottage in Northam to the Berkshire Valley homestead in Moora. Individual chapters reveal the social, administrative, and economic forces that shaped the early development of the Swan River colony, while the homesteads provide insights into the use of local materials, and construction and farming methods up to the present day.

Top Camp, Soldiers Secret and the Ashburton Gold Rush by Peter J Bridge
The history of the Ashburton Gold Rush of 1890 with details of the pastoral stations, aboriginal conflict, lonely deaths, and all the adventures of the distant bush. This is a companion volume to the earlier, Bangement.

Top of the Hill, The, ed by PJ Bridge
The letters to The Western Mail in the late 1930s cover reminiscences and observations of bush life by men and women, farmers, drovers, sailors, fishermen and represent the land as it once was before the influx of aliens changed our life. Essential reading to grasp how the nation has changed and why so many are unhappy with the current trends.

Touch Me Not by Pat Studdy-Clift
This is an historical novel, based on fact and brimful of the adventures, trials and triumphs of one pioneering family – the Gadens. In 1923 with two small babies, aboard the lugger "Chantress", their adventurous father and his brave-hearted wife headed into the uncivilised part of Australia now known as Kakadu National Park, only to find themselves living in "bough sheds" at the mercy of tropical cyclones, buffalo bulls, fierce snakes and primeval crocodiles, to mention a few of their hazards. Add to this a daughter Madge, who was not only a gifted pianist, but also a "darling". She touched the hearts of many, world-wide, when leprosy struck both her and her father. Top this with the inferno of World War Two as Madge, the mixed-race patients and their carers on Channel Island in Darwin Harbour faced the bombing of Darwin. History leads us through a record of man's inhumanity, but also man's humanity to man.

Trackmaster, The - Sig Schlam by Bill Elkes
ISBN 0 85905 112 9, (1987 New), Soft Cover, 29pp, illustrated, 100grams, $10.00*
The biography of one of the World's greatest speedway motorcycle riders.

Tragedy of an Overlander, The by Henry Mazzini
ISBN 978-0-85905-788-9, (1886, R), A5, illustrated, 17 pages, $10.00*
From Port Lincoln SA to Perth WA in search of work. Overland journey of a shepherd, his wife and family, their difficulties & sufferings.

Tragedy Track by F.E. Baume, 1994
The story of the Northern Territory Granites' gold rush of the 1930s. A bush classic. The area now has major gold mines.

Tragic Pearl, The by WC Charnley
ISBN 978-0-85905-019-7, (2010, R), 28pp, illust, SC, B5, 50g, $10.00*
Some people regard pearls as unlucky. However that may be, an uncanny fatality certainly seemed to attend the big 'stone' that figures in this remarkable narrative. First found off the coast of North-West Australia, it was stolen within a few hours of its discovery and almost immediately stolen again. Thenceforth it passed rapidly from hand to hand until it was lost to view, but during its travels it brought death to at least four men who had never even set eyes on it!

Trap at Lošinj, The by Miloš Saičič
ISBN 978-0-85905-786-8, (New, 2020), illustrated, A4, 76 pages, 250 grams, $40.00*
The autobiography of a Yugoslav soldier in WWII. Miloš Saičič was a young Serbian lawyer who joined the Royal Yugoslav Army under General Mihalovich. The Chetniks fought both the Germans and the Ustashi. The betrayals by Churchill and his twisted coterie meant their defeat by the communist partisans. The communist and Ustashi death camps and mass executions put into the pale the much propagandised, but very suspect, claims of German crimes.

He fled to Italy and after service in the Mediterranean he and his wife were in the Transit camp at El Shatt in Egypt before he migrated to Australia in 1948. He worked in Perth for the Hospital Collections Service, raised his family and died, aged 97, in 2008.

This is a rare story. Most Yugoslav materials available to the West being part of the Cold War stable with promotion of the 'independent' Yugoslavia, which was as brutal as anything both the Soviets and the 'free' West could devise.
This is a very small print run to record the title in Australian libraries and archives. It will be of interest to the children of those who fled Yugoslavia post war.

**Travels among Gold and Cannibals in Western Australia 1870 – 1874** by Thomas Scott  
This idiosyncratic travelogue written for the author’s friends describes a journey from Albany, overland to Perth and eventually to Northampton.

**Travels and Adventures of Ben Bridge Throughout Western Australia and Northern Territory** by Ben Bridge  
An intriguing story of one of the great and almost forgotten characters of the Australian bush. Ben Bridge was one of Australia’s greatest horsemen at a time when nearly all Australians were familiar with the finer points of horses and their riders.

**Travels in Western Australia** by May Vivienne  
The writer sparkled through Western Australia and the goldfields by train, coach and bicycle, charming all. Always popular, this is a goldfields’ gem.

**Travels with a Lawbook - Memoirs of a Magistrate** by Ken ‘Lazarus’ Moore  
In this autobiography the author takes us on a roller-coaster journey from his birthplace in the Glens of Antrim to far distant places around the globe.

**Trenches In The Sky, The** by Dan Conway  
The best Australian book of the Air War in Europe and one of the best on Bomber Command.

**Triangle.** W.C. Charnley.  
ISBN 978-0-85905-729-5, A4, 100 grams, $16.00*  
A murder triangle at Day Dawn in 1908 with a wanton Delilah at the point.

**Triumphs and Tragedies : Oombulgurri. An Australian Aboriginal Community** by Neville Green  
ISBN 978-0-85905-092-0, (New, 2011), 228pp, 160 x 240, illust., 530g, $35.00  
Oombulgurri emerged from the remnants of Forrest River Mission to become one of the first independent Indigenous communities in Australia.

**Troy Weight. The 1889 report of Sub Inspector Troy on David Forrest’s allegations of mis-treatment of natives in the north** by Peter J Bridge, Peter Conole, Gail Dreezens  
ISBN 978-9-85905-632-8, (New, 2016), A4, 93pp, 280 grams, $30.00*  
David Forrest of Minderoo complained of mistreatment of natives by pearlers. Governor Broome and his administration acted promptly and reports from local NW police were requested and a special police expedition set out covering an immense area.

**Turning Men Into Stone - A social and medical history of silicosis in Western Australia 1890-1970** by Criena Fitzgerald  
1960, WA physician Dr Bob Elphick remarked to his colleagues that the mining industry was turning men into stone. This evocative image aptly described the end-stage pathophysiological changes that occurred in the lungs of the state’s goldminers after exposure to silica dust. Until 1926 in WA, when X-ray technology became readily available and financially viable, diagnosis of dust disease in miners was fraught, flawed and at best an educated medical guess.

**Twentieth Century Impressions** P.W.H. Thiel & Co.  
ISBN 0 85905 269 9, (2000 reprint of 1901 edition), Hard Cover, 808pp, illustrated, A4+, $250.00*  
Another Western Australian classic. Richly illustrated. Copious information on early Western Australia.

**Unbroken Spirit** by Brian Peachey  
The biography of William Boxhal a convict transported in 1855. Covers the English prison system, transportation, the Western Australia penal system, and his life as an expiree, building his farm, marriage, life as a farmer and parishioner of New Norcia. Contains a detailed list of his descendents in Western Australia.

**Under the Wings of an Albatross** by Rod Dickson  
A maritime history of the French Sub-Antarctic Islands. The Crozets, The Kerguelins, St Paul and Amsterdam Islands. Covers the voyages from 1522 to 1928 with details of the ships and masters with extracts from their log books.

**Veterans, The: A History of the Enrolled Pensioner Force in Western Australia, 1850-1880, The** by F.H. Broomhall  
Contains a narrative history and extensive biographical data on its members with approximately 1,000 entries. The Guard garrisoned Western Australia for 30 years. An essential source volume for all involved in Western Australian history and genealogy.

**Voice of the North, The** by Jim Kelly  
ISBN 0 85905 154 4, (1993 New), Soft Cover, 138pp, 190grams, $22.00  
The collected bush poems of Jim Kelly are the result of his love of the bush and time in cattle camps of 60 years ago. A Kimberley classic.

**Vosalevu. Memories of Life in Fiji During Four Decades, 1924-1953** by Reginald Caten  
With a preface by Phillip Snow. A lyrical and entertaining observation of life in the tropics. The stories of the people of various races, their life and foibles are described by a quintessential Englishman whose love of all the islands and their people shines through in a thoroughly readable book for all who either lived in, visited, or merely dreamed of a South Seas paradise. This is Hawaii or Tahiti without the Jmucrans.
W.A. Digger Book, The
The W.A. Digger Book was published by the West Australian branch of the RSL in 1929, and expressed with picture and story the thoughts and experiences of the A.I.F. Over 160 A4 pages of reminiscence, story, verse, drawings and photographs, with a few contemporary supporting adverts from leading companies, make this a very interesting book. It contains forewords and articles by Monash, Chauvel, Hobbs, and Collett with contributions by Dryblower Murphy, Cyril Longmore, James Pollard, ‘Jean Dell’, and others writing under pen names familiar to readers of the Diggers Diary of the old Western Mail, which are a delight to read.

Wadjelas – The memoirs of a 1950s Patrol Officer by Adrian Day
ISBN 978-0-85905-475-1, (2010), A4, illustrated, soft cover, 276pp, 765g, $45.00* This story is about a very young man with noble intent, a lack of maturity and no training whatsoever who is sent out by government to deal with what it sees as a disintegrating and dying race.

Waiting For Rain by Janet Wells
ISBN 0 85905 155 2, (1991 New), Soft Cover, 36pp, 70grams, $10.00*
Prize-winning poetry of the North.

Waldeck Story, The by Norma King
The story of the Waldeck family of Greenough.

Walker in the Wilderness by J. Anketell
Surveying of the Trans-Australian railway line, the Rabbit Proof Fence and the North. A biography of R.J. Anketell.


Way We Were, The, edited by PJ Bridge with Gail Dreezens.
Ted Church was a prospector and raconteur of the Kalgoorlie area who recorded many of the incidents of goldfields life.

Wanjina - Notes on Some Iconic Ancestral Beings of the Northern Kimberley by Kim Akerman
Wanjina Beings – among the most distinctive of all the Aboriginal Ancestral Beings depicted in Australian rock art – have been a topic of conjecture among Western scholars since their discovery by the explorer George Grey in the northwest Kimberley Region of Australia, in 1838. Their origins have at various times been ascribed to travellers from other continents and even extraterrestrial sources. This essay presents a brief history of past research into the Wanjina cult of the Kimberley: and examines some of the core mythology that embraces the country of the Wanjina and which links people, from the coasts lapping the Timor Sea, to the fastness of the Kimberley Plateau.

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We Came Home or Return From the Land of Milk and Honey by Richard J. Armstrong
ISBN 085905 352 0 (2005 New) 211pp, A4, Perfect bound, illust., 585grams, $30.00*
The author was in Changi and on the Burma railway and this is his reminiscences of men and murderers, good men and bad, with neither fear nor favour. The author is now 85 and in failing health, but all his old comrades will remember this as vintage Richard.

Wealth and Wildcats by Raymond Radcliffe
Raymond Radcliffe, journalist for the London Financial Times traveled through the goldfields of Western Australia and New Zealand in the late 1890s

Well Drilling Plants and Gasoline Engines by the Goldfields Diamond Drilling Coy. Pty. Ltd.
This heavily illustrated catalogue and descriptive booklet of 1920s diamond drilling equipment for water and oil is invaluable for machinery collectors and historians of the pastoral and oil drilling industry in Australia.

West Pilbara, Sail and Teams to Bulk Carriers and Bitumen, The by D.L. Gordon
A new edition of this popular book, now indexed. The Gordon family were pioneers of the Pilbara. Covers the early history and the development of Millstream Station, together with Doug’s life at Wittenoom and many of the NW personalities.

Western Australia’s Tempestuous History by John Nairn
ISBN 0 85905 088 2, (1986 reprint of 1976 edition with new material), Soft Cover, illustrated by Frank Pash, Three Volumes, 158pp, Large Format, 380grams each, $60.00 for the 3 volumes or $22.00 per volume
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accidents along the coast and all the ships and boats that entered and left the various ports. The cargo carried by these vessels east and west and also north and south and the passengers carried in and out.

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This is one of the most significant volumes ever published in W.A. and the first of its type in Australia. Few have before attempted such a project.

The result of many years and tens of thousands of hours collecting, collating, typing and proofing. An essential reference for all interested in W.A. history. Other volumes are in preparation.

**Western Australian Exploration 1836 – 1845** edited by Marion Hercock and Sheryl Milentis with Phil Bianchi.
ISBN 978-0-85905-495-9, (2011 New), 460 pages, illustr, 1.4 kg, RRP $95*

Reproduces the original reports, letters and diaries that record expeditions of discovery in Western Australian for the period from 1836 to 1845. Many of these records from the state archives have never been presented in such an accessible form, with summaries and explanatory notes.

**Western Australian Explorations of John Septimus Roe 1829-1849, The** edited by Marion Hercock.
ISBN 978-0-85905-527-7, (2014, New), Casebound, dj, 160x240, Illustrated, 726 pp, 1.9kg, $100.00*

The long awaited complete collection of Surveyor General Roe’s expeditions from the Western Australian Explorers’ Diaries Project. Contains appendices on the plants, animals, and navigation. Fully indexed. Roe has been called the ‘father of modern explorers’ in Australia and this volume and the introduction fully supports that title.

**Westralia Gift Book.**
ISBN 978-0-85905-596-3, (1916, 2015), A4, 234 pp, well illustrated, 750grms, $40.00*

Produced to aid YMCA military work and the returned nurses’ fund in 1916, it contains the writings, drawings and 7 colour plates from Westralian authors and artists. Originally funded by interesting advertising from the leading manufacturers and retailers of the day, this brilliant collection shows the intellectual and philosophical attitudes of a century ago. Such a true expression of the nation would not be possible today from our termite ridden ‘nation

**Westralian Goldfields, The** by Burton S. James

An 1890s overview of the goldfields which concisely lays out the most advanced views of the time on the occurrence of gold for prospectors. Many apply today.

**Western Australian Lonely Graves. Yvonne and Kevin Coate.**
ISBN 978-0-85905-682-3, A4, 1284 pages, 4 volumes, soft cover, 3.5 kg, $325.00*

These magnificent volumes are the result of nearly 40 years research by Yvonne and Kevin Coate and their associates, and contain details of thousands of lonely or lost graves throughout Western Australia. The information is from local and state histories and newspapers, police reports, correspondents, coroner’s files, and government papers.

Books of this calibre are rare, as is the capacity for researchers to produce such volumes of useful data. The volumes are also an important bibliography of bush history from the earliest colonial times to the near present.

**West Australian Gold Towns and Settlements** by Ian Murray with Phil Bianchi, Maria Bloomfield and Celene Bridge
ISBN 978-0-85905-094-4, (2012, New), A4, 520pp, 1.72kg, $110.00*

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The reminiscences of a pioneer settler in Western Australia. Descriptions of early Perth and Geraldton, natives, the South West, people, businesses and more. A favourite.

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The story of the town of Newman in its early days by the first doctor in the town.
on churingas and phallic objects are sure to 'raise' an interest in those so oriented. This collection is of rare and difficult to obtain papers that are little known to those interested in such material. The items report a further collection of phallic objects from the Eastern Goldfields, North West and Murchison.

W. D. Campbell, an English geologist working in New Zealand and Australia, undertook pioneering ethnographic work in the early 20th century, resulting in the publication of "Western Australian Ethnographic Papers" in 1951. Campbell's work documented the cultural and linguistic diversity of Western Australia, particularly in the Goldfields, and his contributions were well received by scholars and collectors.

Charnley was a prolific writer, from 1915 to 1966, primarily on Western Australian history, publishing "close to a million words" by 1951 in magazines and newspapers. His work was significant in documenting the history and culture of the Goldfields, and his contributions continue to be studied by researchers today.

Bill Benstead was a cattleman, hotelier, and explorer who played a significant role in the development of Alice Springs and Coolgardie. His story of the early trucking days in the Gascoyne region of Western Australia is now an Australian classic.

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Wreck of the Barque Stefano, The by Gustave Rathe
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The people of Wyndham on the wharf and at the meat works, the characters and their foibles. A series of sketches of life in a forgotten town with sidelights on the Territory and PNG during the late ’50s and early ’60s.

Xantho and the Broadhurs. by M. McCarthy

From steamships to suffragettes: In attempting to understand the strange wreck of Western Australia’s first colonial steamship SS Xantho, maritime archaeologist M. (Mac) McCarthy needed to get into the mind of its owner and operator Charles Broadhurst. Reviled and dismissed by his peers and most historians, Broadhurst was found to be Western Australia’s first and foremost colonial entrepreneur, fore-runner to the famous, and in some cases equally controversial, Claude de Bernales, Laurie Connell, Alan Bond and Robert Holmes à Court. Though creative, extremely hard-working and far-sighted, he failed at almost every turn — as a pastoralist, pearler, steam-ship owner, fish canner, MLC and guano merchant. Attention then turned to his wife Eliza Broadhurst a talented musician, teacher, headmistress, actor and feminist, then to their fabulously rich son Florance Constantine Broadhurst, an enormous success in the mining industry. Then attention turned to others in the family and finally to their youngest daughter Katherine, one of Western Australia’s two Suffragists, her beliefs so strongly held that she was imprisoned and required to be force fed with others of her kind in Britain’s infamous Holloway Prison.

Yalgoo by Alex Palmer

The history of mining and pastoral stations in the Yalgoo district, east of Geraldton.

Yammatji by Bryan Clark
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Biographies and history of Aborigines of the Gascoyne with many photographs and drawings.

Yeelirrie: Wendy’s Place by Alan Jones
ISBN 978-0-85905-566-6, (2014 New), A4, 217pp, illustrated, indexed, 925grams, $35.00*

With three generations of her family, Wendy Folvig lived almost fifty years on Yeelirrie Station near Wiluna in Western Australia. They developed and worked Yeelirrie from 1923-1972 when a major uranium discovery was announced and the station was sold. Wendy was awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM) on Australia Day, 2013 for community service in a number of organisations. These included sixty years continuous membership of the Country Women’s Association of Western Australia, and the National Trust of Australia (WA). Wendy is a life member of both bodies. This is a story of many parts: life on an outback station, family serving in the Great War, mining for gold, the discovery of uranium, and a life beyond Yeelirrie.

Yeeramukadoo – A saga of the North West by Nancy E. Withnell Taylor

A history of the North West and Roebourne through the Hancock and Withnell families.

Yerilla by Alex Palmer
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Yelma Station diary of Arthur C. Ashwin for 1928, The. by F W Gunning

The story of a battler’s life from Boulder to the Middle East and New Guinea, then working in the emerging North West of Australia, raising a family in the Pilbara, the Goldfields and the Northern Territory

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