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ISBN 0 85905 395 4, (2007 New), Soft cover, 288 pages, illustrated, under 500 gram packed, $35.00*
Bullfinch and the Yilgarn Goldfield had its beginnings with a suggestion from Sir Laurence Brodie-Hall that the unique nature of the community at Bullfinch during the Great Western Consolidated era from 1950 to 1963 deserved recording.

Bulloo Downs Drover by Peter Hall
ISBN 0 85905 293 1, (2001 New), Soft Cover, 82pp, 135grams, $22.00
Droving and station life on Ilgararie and Bulloo Downs Stations, north of Meekatharra.

Bullwinkel by Norm Manners
The first full biography of Sister Bullwinkel, sole survivor of a group of Australian nurses murdered during World War II by the Japanese on Banka Island in 1941. Machine gunned and starved, she survived to return to high office in Australian nursing.

Bush Justice by Ron Brown & Pat Studdy-Clift
ISBN 0 85905 146 3, (1990 New), Soft Cover, 256pp, illustrated, 340grams, $30.00
Bush Justice had its beginnings with a suggestion from Sir Laurence Brodie-Hall that the unique nature of the community at Bullfinch during the Great Western Consolidated era from 1950 to 1963 deserved recording.

Bush Kids and Bartoo by Mildred Gordon
As the wind gathers sparks from the camp-fire, so these stories have been collected, here, there and everywhere.

Bushmans Directory, The by Mary Taylor
A biographical index to WA drovers, stockmen, mailmen, doggers, teamsters, shepherds, boundary riders, fencers, etc, from the 1800s to the 1970s.

Calvert's Golden West by Geoff Blackburn
The story of the enigmatic Calverts and their role in Western Australian history. Includes a full bibliography.

Camels and the Outback by H.M. Barker
The classic book on the camel in Australia.

Camels, Exploration and Development in the North by Herbert M. Barker
ISBN 978-0-85905-739-4, (New, 2019), A4, soft cover, illustrated, indexed, 24pp, 75g, $16.50*
A collection of reports, letters, etc. by Barker on the NW. Details of his exploration to the east of the Oakover River and proposals for development.

Camp Fire Sketches by A.G. Hales
As the wind gathers sparks from the camp-fire, so these stories have been collected, here, there and everywhere.

Cannibals, Cooke and Customs by Peter Bridge.
ISBN 978-0-85905-666-3, A4, 120 grams, $22.00*
An examination of some undigested customs of our indigines.

Canning Stock Route Royal Commission Royal Commission to inquire into the Treatment of Natives by the Canning Exploration Party - 15 January – 5 February 1908 edited by Phil Bianchi, Peter Bridge, Ethel Bianchi, Angela Teague, Maria Bloomfield.
ISBN 978-0-85905-059-3, (2010), A4, 374pp, illust., 1kg $55.00 *
Important desert and bush history. This was not published, except as reported in the newspapers of the day. Contains the opinions of many of the best bushmen of the day.

Captain Bully Hayes: Blackbirder and Bigamist by Frank Clune
The buccaneer, blackbirder and rascal of the Pacific - one of the great "characters" of the age.

Captain John Thomas Esq. From Tragedy He Triumphed edited by Rod Dickson
The colonial story of the Thomas family, from early disasters to great wealth and social prominence. Thomas became a ship owner, with an importing business, owned a Fremantle hotel and the property at Pinjarra now known as Ravenswood.

Cardonia by B.W. Leake
This collection of the writings of the well known farmer, historian, naturalist, Bruce Leake on the Kellerberrin area

Carry On! edited by Captain C. Longmore
ISBN 978-0-85905-762-2, (1939, 2019), A4, 104 pages, illustrated, 300 grams, $30.00 * Originally published by the RSL.
"This is the road the AIF trod from 1914 to 1918. It was a rough road, but the road along which the younger generation will tread from 1939 to ? may be even rougher. The Old Brigade are confident, however, that the traditions they established will be embraced by the Young Brigade by the time the query mark becomes a figure. Australians could always Carry On!"
Biographies, stories and photos illustrating the traditions of the AIF.
The history traces the events and decisionsthat led to the raising of Australian Railway Units for service withthe AIF and follows the path of this particular unit from its formation in Western Australia through its service onthe Western Front to its eventual return home. While recounting the unit activities in the context of World War One events, equal emphasis has been placed on the stories of many of the individuals who comprised the unit.

Cold-Footed Mob, The – A History of the 5th Australian Broad Gauge Railway Operating Company by Tom Goode ISBN 978-0-85905-653-3, (New, 2016), A4, 100 pages, illustrated, indexed, 280 grams, $30.00* One hundred years ago over two hundred and fifty railwaymen from across the state left Australia for the Western Front. Many were over age and some of doubtful fitness but they went because they felt they were needed. For more than eighteen months sometimes under German artillery fire they operated railways carrying vital men and supplies for the British army. Largely ignored by the Australian Official Histories of World War One, this is their story. The history traces the events and decisions that led to the raising of Australian Railway Units for service with the AIF and follows the path of this particular unit from its formation in Western Australia through its service on the Western Front to its eventual return home. While recounting the unit activities in the context of World War One events, equal emphasis has been placed on the stories of many of the individuals who comprised the unit.
Cologne to the Kimberley - Studies of Aboriginal Life in Northwest Australia by Five German Scholars in the First Half of the 20th Century - Translated by Margaret Pawsey, edited by Kim Akerman ISBN 978-0-85905-594-9, (2015, New), 384pp, SC, A4, illustrated, 1.1kg, $70.00*

Eighteen translated papers by Bischos, Worms, Petri, Schulz, & Odermann that are essential for an understanding of Kimberley Aboriginal culture. Contains brief biographies of the authors.


This is the Combined indices of the Geological Survey of WA Annual Reports and Bulletins from the end of previous index (Bulletin 60) to 1970 and an essential reference volume for geologists, prospectors and historians.


The first, and hopefully not the last, Australian politician shot for spying. Unreported byways and fascinating African adventures in the Great Game.

Connelly Story, The ed PJ Bridge, I Murray, V Connelly ISBN 978-0-85905-460-7, A4, 60 pp, illus, (200g) $22.00*

Connelly snr found the Fifield Platinum in NSW. His son discovered the Murchison GF in WA in 1890

Conquest and Settlement by Geoff Blackburn ISBN 0 85905 242 7, (wrongley published 254 0), (1999 New), Hard Cover, 342pp, illustrated, 730grams, $70.00* The history of the 21st Regiment of Foot and its role in Western Australian history. Contains accounts of the suppression of the native uprisings of the 1830s and appendices on the men as soldiers and settlers, extensive biographical details and genealogical charts.


Coolgardie Gold by Albert Gaston ISBN 0 85905 400 4, 2007 reprint of 1937 edition with new material, Soft Cover, 141pp, illustrated, 200grams, $22.00 The discovery of gold at Coolgardie filled thousands of young men with eagerness to try their luck on the new field. Gaston recalls the dust that was ever present, willy-willies, flies and ants in myriads, water bags, camel teams, summer heat, winter cold, typhoid, crowded hotel and bars.

Coolgardie Goldfields, The by William Nicholas ISBN 0 85905 402 0, (2007 Reprint 1895), A4, Soft Cover, 28pp, illustrated, 125 gram, $.22.00*; Prof W Nicholas was manager of the Burbanks goldmine. Originally published in 1895, this idiosyncratic pamphlet was written to advise prospectors as to the geology and conditions of the new fields.


A rare pamphlet published by Ford in 1932 to record the discovery of Coolgardie.

Cossack Gold by W. Lambden Owen ISBN 978-0-85905-440-9, 2008 new format of 1933 edition with new material, soft cover, 140mm x 215mm, 130pp, illustrated, 190grams, $22.00* Vivid reminiscences of the life in the North West of Australia from the 1880s to the 1930s. Gold, pearling, aboriginals, diamonds, murder and madness in the great but empty North.

Crawford Legacy, The by John Crawford ISBN 978-0-85905-757-8, (New, 2019), A4, 101 pages, illustrated, 530 grams, $30.00* The discovery of gold at Crawford's Patch, Laverton, in the 1890s was another expansion of the fortunes of the Crawford farming family in South and Western Australia. Their success and social commitment resulted in the foundation of the Crawford Lodge facilities for those suffering from cancer.

Crocodiles and Cocktails by Simon King ISBN 978-0-85905-660-1, (2017, New), A4, 157 pages, illustrated, 450 grams, $40.00* Simon King is a geosciences career professional who was raised in the 1950s and 1960s in the semi-rural community of Langwarrin almost 45 kilometres south-east of Melbourne, Australia, where his family was one of the first to settle in the district. He subsequently undertook his tertiary education at the Ballarat School of Mines and Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology in Victoria to pursue a career in exploration and mining, perhaps to follow in his father's footsteps who was once a mineral prospector in the early 20th century.

Crooks, con men and spiers, magsmen, and other dysfunctional from the bottom of the duck pond by Peter J. Bridge ISBN 0 85905 415 2, (1930s, reprint 2007, e-published 2006, in the Dollypot, Greenhide and Spindrift column Vol. 2 No.1.), 16 pp, saddle, Soft Cover, A4, 90 grams, $11* The police published the methods of con men and swindlers in their efforts to educate the public. However the old tricks still reel them in and new applications catch a sucker every minute.

Crosscut’s War – The life and times of a Gallipoli soldier. Thomas Henry “Crosscut” Wilson by Chris Holyday ISBN 978-0-85905-652-6, (New, 2016), A4, 79 pages, illustrated, indexed, 240 grams, $30.00* Thomas Henry (Crosscut) Wilson was a mate of Henry Lawson. He came West in the 1890s in quest of gold but instead struck a very rich vein of literary success along the inky way. This book brings together some of the most lively and vivid word pictures that Wilson wrote over a very prolific period that ultimately shaped the very character of our whole nation, including his participation in the Gallipoli campaign with the 16th Battalion. And it tells the back-story of Crosscut, the man, mainly gleaned from his own writing. The reader should beware, however, for Wilson was a larrikin at heart, could mix fact with fiction and had a definite weakness for beer combined with a wanderlust that would see him drift all over
Western Australia. He was also a very fine writer, amongst the top shelf of those colourful characters that had drifted West chasing the weight, and stayed to help build the State we know today. This book includes some of his finest freelance reporting during the Gallipoli campaign.

**Cue to the Klondyke.** Herbert Annesley Ainsworth. ISBN 978-0-85905-724-0, (New, 2018), A4, 28pp, 100 grams, $15.00*
A great story of adventure and perseverance in two great gold rushes.

**Customs and Traditions of the Aboriginal Natives of North Western Australia, The** by John G Withnell. ISBN 0 85905 423 3, (2007 Reprint 1901), Soft Cover, 35pp, 50 grams, $12.00*
Pastoral pioneer John Withnell studied the natives of the NW for many years. His booklet was first published in 1901 at Roebourne.

**Cyclopedia of Western Australia** by J. S. Battye. ISBN 0 85905 072 6, (1985 reprint of 1912-13 edition), Two Volumes, Hard Cover, 1824pp, quarto, 5.2kg, $250.00*
The classic reference on the history of early Western Australia. Concise descriptions on many facets of the State with biographical data on over 950 pioneers and their families.

**Darkest Western Australia** by H.G.B. Mason. ISBN 0 85905 014 9, (1980 reprint of 1909 edition), Soft Cover, 74pp, illustrated, 130grams, $22.00
The best bushman’s advice book written, with his solution to the “native question”!

Darwin life just before and during World War II. An important eye witness account.

**Daughters of Midas, The** by Norma King. ISBN 0 85905 124 2, (1988 New), Soft Cover, 188pp, illustrated, 400grams, $22.00
The author combines her own rich personal knowledge and insight of goldfields’ life with her thorough research to make an important contribution to the history of the goldfields.

**Dawning among the Aborigines of Central Australia, The** by W.H. Willshire. ISBN 978-0-85905-620-5, (R 1880s90s, 2015), A4, 261pp, illustrated, 695 grams, $45.00*
Police Constable Willshire published four books in the 1880s-1890s on Aboriginal customs and his experiences among them in South Australia and the Northern Territory. These represent much first contact descriptions in areas where no anthropologist ventured. They are a valuable record. Willshire was defamed and marginalised due to the inevitable clashes with wild natives in which the latter came off second best, and a century long vendetta has been carried out by those looking for a windmill to attack. Publication of these very rare volumes will enable all to examine his writings in conjunction with his biography, *Willshire of the Alice*, published by Hesperian Press in 1992.

**Desert, Drought, and Death. The Border Exploration Syndicate Expedition to the Rawlinson Ranges 1899-1900** by H. W. Hill. edited by Mark Chambers and Peter J Bridge. ISBN 978-0-85905-383-9, Hard Cover, 155pp, 470grams, $70.00*
Charles Norton claimed he had found gold in the Rawlinson Range. An expedition was led by Henry Hill, accompanied by Hilton Verney Smith, Frank Merton, Joe Giliio, the ill fated prospector Norton and Shahnawas the Afghan. The expedition was trapped in the wilderness for nine months by a savage drought, the led to the loss of half their camels, and the brutal death of two of their number. This is one of the most fascinating and troubled expeditions recorded from the Westralian desert. The full diaries of Hill which have remained unread for over a century and later reports on their travails are produced.

At the age of twelve Warner ‘Snowy’ Brosnan had a longing to ride horses, and when he saw Chips Rafferty in The Overlanders he vowed that one day he would be a drover. Snowy’s dream came true, with all the thrills and falls, the blood and boredom, and rough and tumble of droving cattle.

**Digging, Squatting and Pioneering Life in the Northern Territory of South Australia** by Mrs Dominic D. Daly. ISBN 0 85905 068 8, (1984 reprint of 1887 edition), Hard Cover, 368pp plus map, 690grams, $40.00
A pioneering classic from first settlement to 1887. Vivid description of life and events that shaped the destiny of the Northern Territory.

The race based riots and their causes have echoed over the past century. The first dispassionate study of a usually highly politicised incident. Essential reading for the multiculters.

The cynic wit of Diogenes bought together for the first time in 2500 years.

In the early 1880s in the sleepy towns of Perth and Fremantle young men played loosely organised rugby matches. But in 1885 some keen young players of Victorian Rules imposed their will on this tired scene and formed what is now the West Australian Football League, starting a competition which continues 131 years later.

**Do Not Yield to Despair** edited by Mike Donaldson and Ian Elliot. ISBN 0 85905 226 5, (1998 New), Hard Cover, A4, 440pp, illustrated, 1.4kg, $95.00*
The bush diaries of Frank Hann 1895-1908. Details his journeys from Townsville, Queensland to Kimberley, in the early Pilbara, Parkers Range south and Laverton-Wiluna area to Oodnadatta.
Dollypot edited by P. Bridge
A magnificent collection of prospectors' and miners' stories. Humour, sadness, thirst, booze, hard luck, life, people and poetry of the goldfields - from the Kimberley in the North to Ravensthorpe in the south east of Western Australia.

Down the Dimbole by Bonnie Milne
Bonnie Milne grew up on an isolated sheep station in the Upper Gascoyne district. This is a light hearted look at family life on Coor de Wandie station

Drover's Cook and other verses, The by Tom Quilty
Tom Quilty was a well-known Kimberley cattleman who became famous for his verse and especially for his descriptive poem, "The Drover's Cook – weighed fifteen stone, He had one bloodshot eye, He had no laces on his boots, No buttons on his fly"
The royalties for this book go to the Kimberley RFDS. This small reprint of a now rare book is done to satisfy the curious readers of the new Red Dog: True Blue by Louis de Bernieres in which the author quotes verse from The Drover's Cook.

Drover's Scrapbook, The edited by P J Bridge & Gail Dreezens
A collection of reports and reminiscences of WA droving from the 1880s to the 1950s, giving many names and records of trips with sheep and cattle from the north to the southern markets.

Droving Days by H.M. Barker
A history of droving, and stories of famous drovers.

Droving with Ben Taylor - Up and down the Canning Stock Route in 1946 by Len Hill
Droving with Ben Taylor is based on the diary of a Canning Stock Route drover. It is the only droving diary known from the 50 years of operation of the CSR, the longest and most remote stock route in the world. Here, detailed, the old hand, Ben Taylor, teaches the youthful Len Hill the art of droving in the desert lands. With horses and camels from Wiluna to Billiluna, and return with cattle, this unique account describes the pleasures and duties of a drovers life, the land, the cattle, and its inhabitants. Len Hill is a retired Kimberley pastoralist.

Dry River by Rachel Percy As told by Dave Mills
Humorous, gritty, real... David Mills' biography, Dry River, is a richly detailed account of working life in the Australian Outback in the last days of the old stockroutes and packsaddle cattle camps. An extraordinary story of an ordinary bloke.

Dryblowers and Gold. ed by Peter J Bridge.
ISBN 978-0-85905-677-9, (2017, new), A4, 190pp, heavily illustrated, 510 grams, $50.00*
A history of dryblowers. This revolutionary device was developed on the WA goldfields and spread in various forms to other dry auriferous states and nations. A collection of historical and technical reports that are scarcely known, together with an exceptional collection of photographs. Published 27 Oct 2017.

Dying World in Northwest Australia, The by Helmut Petri (With a Foreword by Susan Bradley and Introduction by Kim Akerman)
Prior to leading the Twenty-second Frobenius Expedition (1938-1939), to the Kimberley Region of Western Australia, Helmut Petri had developed a wide range of interests that encompassed the fields of physical anthropology, ethnology, history, prehistory, economics and philosophy.

EP 9 Story, The by Mike Sasin/J B Norman
ISBN 0 85905 326 1, (2003 New), Soft Cover,54pp, illustrated, A4 wire bound, 190grams, $22.00 *
An aero engineer's life in the NW where his business was shattered by lies and manipulation involving an illegal and unsound pilot,a millionaire megalomaniac pastoralist and DCA investigations

Eager For Labour
by Val Fitch
The indentured labour of the Swan River Colony with the history of several of the families involved.

Eagle's Nest, The - Larkinville, the Golden Eagle and the Great Depression by P.J. Bridge
ISBN 0 85905 274 5, (1999 New), Hard Cover, Soft Cover, 320pp, illustrated, HC 700grams, SC 450grams, HC $60.00 SC $40.00
The last great traditional gold rush at the height of the depression, with biographies, details of nuggets and a preview of the coming depression.

Early Days of Yilgarn District, The edited by Peter J Bridge and Angela Teague
This collection forms part of a series of biographies and reminiscences of the earliest prospectors of the Yilgarn Goldfields. While the answers as to priority, were to a certain extent, answered long ago, this information has become scattered and lost to all but the most determined researchers.

Early History of Cue and the Murchison Goldfields, The
A different and personal view of early Cue and the Murchison area.

Early Memories of the Great North West. by A R Richardson.
ISBN 978-0-85905-079-1, (1914, 2008), A4, 56 pp, Soft Cover, 180 grams, $22.00*
Richardson was a pioneer of the NW. His book is a mainstay of information on the early settlements and the people of the north

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Early Woodlines of the Goldfields - The untold story of the Woodlines to World War II edited by Phil Bianchi, Peter Bridge and Ray Tovey new expanded edition ISBN 0 85905 432 2 140 pp, 380grams, A4 perfect bound, illust., soft cover, $30.00*

Articles and letters by writers such as Crosscut T.H. Wilson and reporters for The Sun, give the reader a clear understanding of events at the time, the undercurrents and how high feelings were running on various issues such as strikes, pay, living expenses, dagoes, the company, bosses, life in the bush and so on.

East is East by WC Chamley ISBN 978-0-85905-007-4, (2010, R), 21 pp, illust, SC, B5, 50g, $10.00*

A white woman was mysteriously murdered in an Indian garden, and the police were completely baffled owing to the apparent lack of motive for the crime. Far away in Australia, however, a few people knew that a sixteen-year-old feud - a tragedy of the mating of East and West had reached its culmination


Eggs-a-Cook! relates the experience of the 44th Battalion of the Third Division in France during 1916-1918. Formed at Claremont in early 1916 they landed in England in July 1916, via Egypt, where they collected their cognomen, arriving in France in November.


The prize-winning biography of Australia’s greatest explorer.


The experiences of a Salvation Army girl on the Eastern and Murchison fields in the 1890s.


It was idle curiosity that first led Lesley Brooker, an ex-CSIRO scientist, to find out who might have been the first Europeans to visit a bush property near Sandford Rocks, Westonia, recently purchased by Lesley and her husband Michael from the National Trust under the BushBank scheme.

Expeditions in Western Australia 1837-1839 by George Grey ISBN 0 85905 046 7, (1983 reprint of 1841 edition), Hard Cover, 916pp, illustrated, maps, 1680grams, $90.00*

This classic of Western Australian exploration in two volumes details Grey’s discoveries. Extensive details of natural history, Aboriginal life, culture, language, and more. Grey’s party suffered shipwreck, starvation and thirst in their long travels from Gantheaume Bay to Perth.


Contains some 30 expeditions including Lefroy and CC Hunt with appendices on the plants by Alex George and animals by Ian Abbott. Biographical notes on all known expedition members. Resolves the problems of the 'convicts gold' and Hunt's unknown convict helpers.

This is a very small run which will ensure future scarcity. The companion volume 1869-1896 will go to the printers in July.


Stuart was the first to reach Australia’s geographical centre and to traverse the continent. Thirst, scurvy, starvation and hostile natives hampered his expeditions. His route led to the construction of the overland telegraph and the opening up of Central Australia.


The biography of one of the best-known exploration geologists of Western Australia


An essential handbook that deals with the very sensitive subject of family business succession. The author believes she has found a way for families to deal with and resolve this issue.


Fifty Years Afloat by Hugh Cameron ISBN 0 85905 213 3, (1996 New), Soft Cover, 198pp, illustrated, 240grams, $22.00

The memoirs of a Western Australian ferryman and boat builder on the Swan River and Rottnest run.

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Fighting for Life by Judith Fitzhardinge
ISBN 0 85905 224 9, (1996 New), Soft Cover, 268pp, illustrated, 340 grams, $33.00
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 Guerilla Warfare Group, 1942-1943 by Peter J Bridge
ISBN 978-0-85905-501-7, (2012 N), 356pp, A4, 311 illus., indexed, section sewn, soft cover, 1kg +, $60.00*
The role of Major Mitchell's 3rd Australian Army Corps Guerilla Warfare Group, 101 Field Security, Special Duties groups, Special Independent Guerilla Warfare Company, Volunteer Defence Corps, 11 North West Battalion, and the Derby Garrison in the defence of the Kimberley and the North West.

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, 1500 grams, $85.00*
This valuable new book, Finch Trapping in the Kimberley, provides a rare insight into the far north of Western Australia, the capture of over one million wild finches, their marketing and their distribution around the world.

Finding HMAS Sydney. A Memoir by Glenys McDonald
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.

ISBN 978-0-85905-018-0, (1855, R2009), Hard Cover, 240pp 620grams $80.00*
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
ISBN 978-0-85905-577-2, (2014, new), 15pp, SC, B5, 40 g, $10.00*
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.

First Overland Cattle Drove from South Australia to Kalgoorlie, The by EP Halford
The Halford family's great trek across the Nullarbor to Kalgoorlie where they started Credo Station in 1904. Brilliant photos.

Flight of Diamonds by Major W. Tyler
The 1942 Japanese attack on Broome had been kept hidden by the Curtin's wartime government. Tyler gives the first full account of the raid and of the loss of $12 million in diamonds, still unrecovered. Copious illustrations of Japanese, Dutch, United States and Australian aircraft and personnel involved in the disaster.

For Those Who Remembered Bob True, A History of Whitfords Reward, Gregory Hills by Peter J. Bridge with Ian Murray
Bob True was buried in a lonely grave at Lake Wells in 1906 by his prospecting mates.

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.

Frank Hann's Lolworth Diaries 1866-1875 - transcribed and edited by Ian Elliot
The long awaited precursor to Do Not Yield to Despair. Frank Hann’s early days in North Queensland. Annotated and indexed. Cattle Cape mining, characters, conflict, social and family life. Essential for any work on the period in N.Q.

Fred McGill: An Ambiguous Aboriginal, ed. by Peter J. Bridge
The life of Fred, a Noongar among the easterner Mirning. Fred was a hit man for settlement to the east and took part in Russell’s 1897 expedition. His story in his own words. Fred died in 1909. Published 28 Sept 2017.

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*
A long awaited history of the Sons of Gwalia goldmine at Leonora. Assiduous research into the Welsh and Australian origins of this famous mine by Alwyn Evans for a thesis, now modified for general reading has resulted in an essential reference for any and all interested in WA mining history. An appendix on the exaggerated role of Hoover is of interest as an independent analysis divorced from the adulatory propaganda.

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Gallop to Tripoli: History of the 10th Light Horse Regiment AIF 1914 - 1919 by Neville Browning and Ian Gill. ISBN 978-0-85905-515-4, (2011 R 2012), 648pp, heavily illustrated with maps and photos, rineted end papers, 1.8 kg. (Well over 2kg packed), folded laminated card cover, with the printed end papers, 1.65 kg. $70.00*

The 10th Light Horse epitomises the dash and insouciance of the mounted Australian soldier in World War I. We believe that this book will fill the great need of the expanding families, relatives, and growing amounts of Westralians interested in knowing of the experiences of our men in battles of such significance that they literally changed the map of the world.


The classic biography of Northern Territory bushman Billy Miller Linklater includes much detail of the early characters.

Geology and Mineral Deposits of the Leonora-Laverton Area, North Eastern Yilgarn Block, Western Australia by J. Hallberg ISBN 0 85905 079 5, (1985 New), SC, 218pp, illustrated, 310grams, $25.00 An associated set of 16 large geological maps of the area sells at approximately $104.00 elsewhere.

George James Woodley - The prospector of the Murchison. Collated by Peter J. Bridge ISBN 978-0-85905-763-9, (2019), A4, indexed, 40pp, 125 grams, $22.00*
The real prospecting pioneer of the Murchison, defamed and pauperised by the powers that were and are.

Get it Write! by Kim Epton. Explains the process of preparing the manuscript and is a style guide that details the Hesperian Press house style.


A classic of Australian military history.


Jack Sorensen, shearer, boxer and poet was renowned for his meter and rhyme.


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.


Gold stealing was a way of life on the WA goldfields. It still continues in the boardrooms of the corporations in which are ensconced only the 'best' people. In our Darwinian economy only the most brazen and successful thieves survive to rob again. Many Westralian fortunes were and are built on these rorts. But it is usually the small miner who got caught. These latter stories have become part of the folklore of the goldfields.


An enchanting tale of the lives of three little girls who grew up on a sheep station in the East Murchison district of Western Australia in the 1930s and 1940s.


The Gugeri family have been landmarks in the Kimberley for nearly a century. This book follows four generations of life in the north, from pearling, carrying, Anna Plains station, water boring, Cockatoo Island, oil drilling, wool carting, the Underworld, rockets, fishing, and many incidents and characters. Biographies of Doug Blythe, Billie King and details of many other Kimberley personalities are also offered.

Gold at Peak Hill by P.R. Heydon ISBN 0 85905 153 6, (1991 New), Hard Cover, 310pp, illustrated, 530grams, $40.00

The story of the discovery of gold in 1892 by Wilson and partners, the history of the town and Peak Hill area and its characters, all now gone.

Gold Deposits of Western Australia, The by A. Gibb Maitland ISBN 0 85905 010 6, (1919, 2009), 94pp, A4+, illus, soft cover, 300g, $30.00*

This book is still the best overview of gold in WA for the general reader and prospector. The maps, drawings and photos explain the distribution and geology of gold throughout WA. Fourth Edition.

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The murders of Police Officers Pitman and Walsh by the gold stealers, Coulter and Treffene, in 1926.

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Habits and Customs of the Aborigines of Western Australia, THE by Salvado, Garrido, Camfield, Armstrong.
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There is at the present time a considerable redistribution of populations taking place in the world, with the consequent redistribution of disease from endemic to non-endemic areas and to susceptible populations. Havens of Refuge is the history of the incursion of inhabitants from S.E. Asia into the north of Western Australia in pearling days, and the subsequent development of leprosy in the indigenous susceptible population. The book does not deal with clinical details, but with the history of events relative to the introduction of leprosy, its spread and the efforts to contain it, based on and largely told in the words of contemporary observers and administrators, and it illustrates the fallacies of contemporary thought, now in danger of being repeated.

Hedland, Auld Lang Syne by E.G.Clutterbuck & Betty Doohan
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The war diaries of a RAAF ground crew member in North Africa during World War II.

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History of the North West of Australia by J.S. Battye
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ISBN 978-0-85905-590-6, (New, 2015), A4, 22pp, 95 grams, $22.00*
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ISBN 0 85905 363 6, (2005 New), Soft Cover, A4, 158pp, illustrated, 440 grams, $25.00*
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Iron in the Fire by Edgar Morrow
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The goldfield poet who was the core of the Sunday Times for many years.

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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
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Journal of the Elder Scientific Exploring Expedition 1891-1892. David Lindsay. edited by Peter J. Bridge, Calliope Bridge and Celene Bridge (WAEDP series.)
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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This is a very small run which will ensure future scarcity.

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
Journals of nine expeditions from 1846 to 1861.

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Kingdom of Shylock, The (Revised) by Frank Anstey MP.
First published in 1917, when it was repressed. This is a reprint of the second edition. Frank Anstey (1865-1940) was a leader of the Labor Party, a committed socialist, supporter of public finance and the Commonwealth Bank, and viewed WWI as “a war of rival capitalists”

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Episodes from a life spent among the native tribes of Australia. Set mainly in the Northern Territory.

Dr. Basedow was Chief Medical Officer and Protector of Aborigines in the Northern Territory, and later Special Aborigines Commissioner.

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Law Provides, The by E. Morrow

Morrow recounts his Police patrols through the North West Kimberley and the Murchison after World War I, chasing cattle spearers, killers and tracking lost men. A view of the North recorded by few others.

Laying the Bait by The Dog Stiffener
ISBN 978-0-85905-229-0, (2011), 13pp, 40g, $8.00

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Leaves from a Prospectors Diary by J.E. Tregurtha

Reminiscences of prospecting in Western Australia from the 1890s to the 1930s. With Billy Frost, Tregurtha opened up many areas. He recounts his desert expeditions and his time in the Klondyke and New Guinea.

Legal Executions in Western Australia by Brian Purdue
ISBN 1 875778 00 4 Foundation Press, (1993 New), Soft Cover, 85pp, illustrated, 125grams, $22.00

Details of all executions and also those sentenced to death and reprieved.

Legend of the Kimberley – Lawson Holman – Flying Doctor - compiled by Janet Holman Updated and reprinted

Dr Lawson Holman lived in Derby from 1956 until the end of 1970. He related many entertaining stories and interesting incidents which provide intriguing glimpses of characters and life in the Kimberley in those days. These forming the bulk of the book, are woven into the story of his life.

It’s a yarn with all the necessary human-interest ingredients – adventure, drama, pathos and tragedy – but, most importantly, it’s a collection of wonderful down-to-earth Australian humour which provides a succession of belly-laughs.

Reviewer.

Letters from Nigeria by David Carnegie.

Leaving WA after his great expedition, Carnegie went to Nigeria where he was killed by a poisoned arrow while quelling a native rebellion. These are his letters arranged by his sister. Only 100 copies were made of the original edition.

Liberty Call by Ian Johnson
ISBN 0 85905 289 3, (2003 New), Soft Cover, 364pp heavily illustrated, 625grams, $45.00*


Henry William St Pierre Bunbury, after whom the City of Bunbury in Western Australia is named, was a professional soldier, the son and nephew of distinguished professional soldiers. He was just 21 years old when he sailed for the Australian colonies in charge of the military guard on the convict transport Susan. Between his arrival in Sydney in July
1834 and his departure in November 1837, he spent 10 months in New South Wales as aide-de-camp to Governor Bourke, 9 months in Van Diemen's Land, and 21 months in Western Australia.

**Life and Adventure in Northern Australia** by Thomas Traine

Tom Traine was one of the overlanders from Queensland to the West in the 1880s. His story covers the opening of the Barkley Tablelands, Black Jack Reid, the Ragged Thirteen, aboriginal encounters, running pubs and stations and the first development of Port Hedland

**Life on the Goldfields, A retrospect.** by Anon

A very early reminiscence of the Coolgardie goldfields with detailed descriptive views.

**List of Cancelled Gold Mining Leases which have produced Gold (1954)** by the Mines Department of WA.
ISBN 0 85905 058 0, (1954, R2008), A4, 275 pp, Soft Cover, 750 grams, $50.00*.

This important list of mining leases, set out by goldfield and district, lists the active years, the tonnage of ore, and the gold produced. It is an essential volume for any prospector in WA. See also our Alphabetical Index of this.

**List of Nuggets found in Victoria** by E.J. Dunn

A compilation of data on 1360 nuggets each weighing over 20 ozs.

**Little Boy Lost - Northampton in 1865** by Peter J Bridge

There is little more heart-breaking for parents than to lose a child, especially one of tender years, in whom love and dreams for the future were the warp and woof of a precious tapestry. Index can be downloaded from website.

**Little Wonder gold mine, The** by P.J. Bridge

The spectacular gold output of this now forgotten show created legends in the 1890s. The ore was carted hundreds of miles by packhorse for treatment. Most of the owners drank themselves to death.

**Loaming For Gold** by Sam Cash, with a Foreword and biographical notes by Bob Sheppard.

The technique of loaming has found many new gold mines and millions of $ of gold. This book by the ‘Prince of Loamers’ is an essential handbook for prospectors. It gives the potential for the creation of great wealth.

**Londonderry - The Golden Hole** by A. Sprake

The full story of the 1890s’ share fiasco that shattered London and Western Australia.

**Lone Hand, The: Charles Ross and the mountain bandits** by Peter J Bridge

Charles Ross was of that great Australian breed, the Overlanders. Arriving on the Ashburton in the early 1890s from the Kimberley and further east, he was a successful prospector.

**Longest Fence in the World, The** by F. H. Broomhall


Frank Broomhall, after serving in Ireland, Mesopotamia, Persia, and India, joined the Rabbit Department in 1926 and spent 14 months as a boundary rider on the Rabbit Proof Fence. After farming and government work he completed a BA on retirement. He had several history books published.

This is the history of the Rabbit Proof Fence and the story of the men who made it and rode it. One of the great stories of the bush in WA.

**Loreto** by J. Stephenson

History of the Loreto School in Perth. Well illustrated. A must for Loreto “old girls”.

**Lucky Ross** by W.H. Ross
ISBN 0 85905 203 6, (1994 New), Soft Cover, 288pp, illustrated, 360grams, $30.00

John Ross served on the HMAS Sydney and HMAS Canberra. This unique account will become a naval classic.

**Ludovic de Beauvoir’s visit to Australia** translated and edited by John Melville Jones with Nicola Cousen, Steve Mullins, Stefan Petrow and Marie & John Ramsland.

This publication presents a revised English translation of the first volume (Australie) of an account of a voyage around the world undertaken in 1866 by two young French aristocrats. In Australia they visited Melbourne, Ballarat and Bendigo, and outside Melbourne experienced the life of a squatter at that time. They also visited Hobart, Sydney, Newcastle and Brisbane before sailing north towards South East Asia.

**Lure of the North** by F. W. Gunning

Lure of the North is the story of George Gooch and the opening up of the Gascoyne.

Long out of print and reaching $600 plus as a rare book, it has been reprinted courtesy of the Gunning and Gooch.

This new facsimile, limited edition, is case bound with a dust jacket

**Macedonians in Australia, The** by Peter Hill
ISBN 0 85905 142 0, (1989 New), Soft Cover, 150pp, illustrated, 220grams, $22.00

A study of a migrant group whose name rings through history. A sympathetic, interesting and very readable account.
Magic Snake, The by Billy Miller Linklater
ISBN 978-0-85905-371-6, (1946 R 2013), 96pp, illustrated, 205g, $26.00*
Billy was the author of Gather No Moss, a NT classic. He wrote of the Territory when it was young. These are his collected legends of the Warramunga tribe among whom he lived and worked for many years. A forgotten classic of the North.

Magnificent Miner - Claude De Bernales, The by Hal Colebatch
ISBN 0 85905 200 1, (1996 New), Soft Cover, 340pp, illustrated, 450grams, $35.00
De Bernales was controversial but in Western Australia his mining activities helped keep the State afloat. His origins, rise, fall and legacy.

Maguire Mystery, The by WC Charnley
ISBN 978-0-85905-008-1, (2010, R), 22pp, illust, SC, B5, 50g, $10.00*
A stirring story of Northern Australia. Seeking mother-o-pearl shell and a rich tin deposit, three adventurous young men set out in a small ketch for the lonely Kimberley coast. They had been warned as to the treachery of the wild blacks, and took every precaution against attack. Nevertheless, disaster overtook them. Their lugger was found sailing herself, with blood upon her deck, but despite all the efforts of the police, the exact fate of the luckless trio remains in doubt.

Major the Outlaw by WC Charnley
ISBN 978-0-85905-003-6, (2010, R), 23pp, illust, SC, B5, 50g, $10.00*
“Major” was a fine type of Australian black-fellow, and might have lived and died as a useful member of society but for the deep-laid vengeance of “a woman scorned.” Plotting with Machiavellian cunning, she first induced him to commit murder and then helped the police to hunt him down. Finally, when a bullet had put an end to his ill-starred career, she proceeded, like a dutiful wife, to mourn his loss!

In 1895, J M Drew, editor of the Geraldton Express was sued for libel by the local medical officer. While the libel trial was in progress, Drew committed a contempt of court and was gaol ed for two weeks in the Perth Waterside Lockup. On his return to Geraldton he published his so-called Jail Journal, a record of conversations with the other inmates of the Lockup including two drunks drying out and the colonial hangman. He recorded their memories of the convict era of Western Australia. He took the opportunity to portray himself as a heroic victim of injustice, a principled journalist and a fearless defender of democracy.

Man from Arltunga by R.G. Kimber
The biography of Walter Smith (1893-1990), drover, prospector, dogger and bushman, one of the identities of the Northern Territory.

Managing a Million Square Miles by Ron Hutchinson
With a history spanning 187 years, the authority now called Landgate, has seen momentous changes. From the days of survey expeditions, to world-leading innovations in online mapping and the delivery of land information, Ron Hutchinson has given us a fascinating and insightful history of Western Australia’s first government department.

Massacre! by Peter J Bridge.
The brutal shootings and bludgeoning to death of many Aboriginal men, women and children at Laverton in 1910 shocked the nation. It was the culmination of a series of attacks and murders but the trial resulted in the acquittal of the perpetrators.

Massacre at the Golden Mountain, The. Ed by Peter J. Bridge.
The 1890s goldrush was rocked by the claims of a great massacre on the new frontier. This story details the evidence and the result of the magisterial enquiry.

Mates and Gold by N.K. Sligo
The greatest of the Western Australian 1890’s gold rush reminiscences and the most popular among prospectors and those with an interest in how it was.

May They Rest in Peace by Jane Hall
The old Fremantle Women's Asylum has a colourful history and the stones tell their story but inside the spectral wraiths of the poor demented are still active. Jane Hall has collected the history and the stories of this strange and haunted place. Appropriately it is now an Arts Centre.

McLennans Way: Bush Ballads of Lex McLennan edited by Jean Green and James Fitzgerald
ISBN 0 85905 201 X. (1994 New), Soft Cover, 82pp, 125grams, $22.00
The poetry of one of Australia’s best balladists.

Meekatharra - End of the Earth by P.R. Heydon
The history of Meekatharra, its people, mines, stations, bushmen, drovers, prospectors, townspeople and more.

Megisti in the Antipodes by John Yiannakis
A study of the Castellorizian Greeks in Western Australia.
In 1920 a well-known Nor’ Wester, Charles Athelstone Park, was arrested for the murder of Big Bob, an aboriginal drover. The investigation overed territory from the Kimberley to the Upper Gascoyne.

**Mountain View Gold - Day Dawn & The Italians who made it Happen** by Alex Palmer  

A new day dawned for Day Dawn WA, following a rich strike at Mountain View. A group of Italian prospectors at Day Dawn in the 1940s, down to their uppers, defying the advice of experts, persevered for four years before they finally struck it rich.

**Moving Mountains - The Evolution of Port Hedland Harbour** by Murray Shaw  

Contains 21 colour and 24 black and white illustrations.

Port Hedland is the biggest tonnage port in Australia. This is its story!

"Mum’s Grey Hair" by Rod Dickson  

Rod Dickson’s idiosyncratic memoirs cover his early childhood in the northern suburbs of Melbourne, his years at Tyler St. Primary and Reservoir and Northcote High Schools and after leaving the hallowed halls of learning pursued a 51 year career at sea. On all types of vessels ranging from a crayfishing boat to tugs, oil rig tenders, cargo ships, tankers to finally a 128,000 ton L.N.G. Tanker from which he retired. The title of this autobiography comes from his mother’s favourite saying - "Rodney you gave me all my Grey Hairs."

**Mungilli : Poor Little Fella** by Maureen Herbert.  
ISBN 978-0-85905-588-8, (2014, new), Softcover, A4, well illustrated - some colour, 111pp, 325g, $30.00*

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This is the story of their times together, enlightened by the correspondence of Mungilli and Dr Bill. A good read for those interested in desert travel, wildlife, and people.

**Murchison in 1887, The.** William Frear Forster & Frank Wittenoom.  

The newly created stations in the Upper Murchison became a byword for enterprise and have remained important pastoral properties to the present. A visit by a group of government officials and business people recorded much that was otherwise lost.

**Murchison Revisited, The** by FCB Vosper  
ISBN 978-0-85905-746-2, (R 2019), A4, 78 pages, indexed, 210 grams, $35.00*

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**Murder at Maylands : Executed under an alias.** W.C. Charnley & Peter J. Bridge.  

For 90 years the true identity and fate of a murderer has been hidden.

**Murder on the Rabbit Proof Fence - The strange story of Snowy Rowles and Arthur Upfield by Terry Walker**  
ISBN 0 85905 189 7, (1993 New), Soft Cover 152pp, illustrated, 210grams, $25.00

Snowy Rowles was hanged on circumstantial evidence for the murders on the lonely Rabbit Proof Fence.

**Musgrave Ranges, The** by Alan F. Wilson  

The story of two journeys by camel, car and foot, with biographical entries on the author.

**My Fourth Tour in W.A** by A. F. Calvert  
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One of the most magnificent books on the Western Australian goldfields and the bush. Hundreds of photographs and sketches of people and places.

**My Life Story** by F.W. Bow  

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**My Natives and I** by Daisy Bates edited by Peter J. Bridge with an introduction by Bob Reece  

There is in the life of Daisy Bates something of the spirit of service that moved Florence Nightingale, and something of the spirit of sacrifice that filled the heart of Father Damien. She would not put it so, for she has loved her life and made a joy of her labour but it is right that tribute should be paid. She went out to her Aborigines in the first years of this century.

**Mystery of the Mayanup Poltergeist, The** by Helen Hack  
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An examination of a series of mysterious incidents (poltergeists, telekinesis) that occurred in the South West of Western Australia and intrigued the nation.

**Mystery of the San Michelle, The** by Peter J. Bridge.  

Details the disappearance of the lugger San Michelle in 1971. The bios of the skipper, Stan Stojanovic and Margaret Maclean give interesting and little known details on the people involved.

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Fleeing the Japanese onslaught from Singapore the Metherell family landed in Darwin and boarded an MMA Lockheed 10A Electra, **RMA Gascoyne** for Broome. The plane crashed in the Leopold ranges, 60 miles from Derby. This is the detailed story of the planes discovery, rescue of the survivors and the repair and the final flight to safety. The unique collection of photographs greatly enhances the book.
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Narrative of an Expedition of Exploration in North-Western Australia by Herbert Basedow with an introduction by David Kaus.
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Experiences of a mounted policeman in the Western Australian outback in the 1890s and early 1900s. Accounts of native murders, horse stealing, gold rushes, the outlaw Pidgeon, Canning Stock Route, Wiluna, Kimberley, and more.

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Short stories of Onslow and the Ashburton set in the early 1900s. Riemann was judged the best short story writer in Australia in the 1950s. These are some of his best, set in the Old North of pearlers, prospectors, police and pastoralists.

Nor'West of West by James Thomson
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Nurses with Altitude by RFDS staff
Stories by the nurses and their colleagues at the Royal Flying Doctor Service in Western Australia. Compiled by Gaye Richardson in conjunction with the Flight Nurse Reunion Committee. Probably the best book on the RFDS, written by the staff from their own experiences.
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 a song of 250 copies.


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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
ISBN 978-0-85905-256-6, (R2008), A4, 82 pp, Soft Cover, 240 grams, $22.00*
Fraser loved the bush. Leaving his farm he reported on the new places of the wheat belt to as far north as Geraldton and on the bush areas to the north of Southern Cross, in the years before and after WW1.

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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, 850grams, $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 foot, 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.

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Six volumes of the best true stories and reminiscences of the early goldfields from the 1890s to the 1930s.

Packhorse and Waterhole by Gordon Buchanan
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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 – Picture Show Man by Max D. Bell
Paddy Baker (1898-1988) was born in Yundaminda 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, Kimblyer, 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
During his many years as Western Australia’s first full-time Police Chaplain, Father Barry May often attended scenes of great trauma and witnessed heart-breaking tragedy, he encountered things that would test anyone’s faith. Yet it was his own unflinching faith in God the Creator that sustained him in his grim responsibilities.

Pansy’s Shanty, by Peter J. Bridge
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, 210grams, $22.00*
Hooley, writing under the name of ‘Bucolic’ described many pastoral properties from the Kimberley to the Southwest.

Paynes Find by Alex Palmer.
ISBN 978-0-85905-467-6, (2010), 115pp, illust., 170g, $22.00*
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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*
From John Brockman’s 1912 manuscript. With a Foreword by Mike McCarthy of the Maritime Museum, and edited by Peter J Bridge.

Pearls and Pearling Life by EW Streeter
ISBN 0 85905 255 9, (1866 reprint 2007), Hard Cover, 340 pp, illust, 835 grams, $116.00*
The pearling classic, impossible to obtain. With tipped in colour plates and map. A study of pearls and pearling regions of the world. Early WA pearling.

Perched on the Rails by Bruce Paterson
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An incisive examination of Broome in its heyday.

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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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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.

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 Nor
The author was an early pioneer of the NW and wrote the reminiscences in 1911. The original copies are extremely rare

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

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 ISBN 978-0-85905-611-3, (New, 2015), A4, 126 pages, illustrated, 380 grams, $35.00* '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.

Ever since the discovery of emeralds in 1912 by Harry Ryan, Poona 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.

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. ISBN978-0-85905-657-1, (New, 2017), A4, fully illustrated and indexed, 329 pages, 900 grams, $60.00*
All the mugshots of prisoners released from Fremantle Gaol from 1899 to 1919, over 3850, and fully indexed. A unique picture of the past showing the features of those who had transgressed. Interestingly, non-Europeans, apart from the obligatory Aboriginals, form a far larger proportion of the prisoners than their kind would represent as a percentage of the whole population. That certain elements do not obviously appear to be represented should not be taken as any
indication of their lack of criminality. It may be that they were imprisoned for longer terms for more serious crimes and so do not appear in among the more general riff-raff with the frequency that might expected by their general behaviour. Early feminists are there in their glory, proclaiming their equal rights to criminality. (The publisher’s great aunt among them).

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Shrew and the Horsethief, The by Peter J Bridge & Sheryl Milentis
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.

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delightful read. More sombre is the second part where as a soldier, he was captured and imprisoned in Germany in 1917.

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and gear, as well as what you can make yourself and shows how to make it. The photos give real life situations from
current mining of this sort. To further increase its usefulness, the volume ends with a large glossary of underground
mining terms and a practical index to ease searching and crosschecking.

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.

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Spinifex and Sand by David W. Carnegie
ISBN 85905 139 0, (1989 reprint of 1898 edition), Soft Cover, 275pp, illustrated, 500grams, $30.00
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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*
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Steadfast Endeavour by Graham Wilson
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Steam in the Forests by MRH Southcombe
The South West timber industry relied upon steam engines of many types. Mills, whsms, 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. ISBN 978-0-85905-484-3, (2010), A4, 66pp, illust. 210g $22.00 *
Contains her diary and a biography by Miriam Howard-Wright with details of her 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 bush experience of the author as a patrol officer in the Western Desert in the 1950s and 1960s. 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
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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.
ISBN 0 85905 426 8, (wrongly published 428 8), (2007 New), A4, Soft Cover, 87pp, 275 grams, $25.00*

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.

10,000 Hours by Harry Moss

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Tall Trees and Tall Tales by J. Morris and R. Underwood
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ISBN 978-0-85905-544-4, (R New 2013), A4, 128pp, 380g, $30.00*

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Then They Called Me Norma by Norma King

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
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They Called Me Tjampu-Tjilpi by Bob Verburgt
ISBN 0 85905 246 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.
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They're Racing at Landor by P.R. Heydon  
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They Simply Fade Away – with the 48th in France by J A Williamson  
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Thomas Edwards of Beverley: Emigrant, Policeman, Settler by Mollie Bentley  
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.

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Through Bush and Scrub - Travels in the North among the Stations by Norman Malcolm (Canmore)  
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To Call Our Own by M.R.H. Southcombe  
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To King George the Third Sound for Whales by Rod Dickson  
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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 Wallall ... and Back. The story of a Mullewa Drover by Joan Ridley.

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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.

Tommy Ningebong by Phil Bianchi
ISBN 978-0-85905-599-4, (2015, New), A4, 71 pp, illustrated, 190 g, $25.00*

Bushman, tracker, drover, stockman, pastoralist, Aboriginal Ningebong 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 solidity 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

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Toodyay Homesteads by Rica Erickson & Robyn Taylor

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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, Bangemall.

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-Cilt

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 adventorous 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 978-0-85905-789-9, (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.

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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!

Travels among Gold and Cannibals in Western Australia 1870 – 1874 by Thomas Scott
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