



# NEWS FROM BEHIND THE SHELVES



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We would like to wish all our patrons and the whole Exmouth community, a joyous festive season and a very

# Merry Christmas

## CHRISTMAS HOURS

Exmouth Public Library will be

**CLOSED from 2pm Thursday 24th December 2020**

**REOPEN 9am Monday 4th January 2021**



Be sure to collect your books, DVDs, audiobooks, jigsaws or magazines for relaxing entertainment during this holiday period.



## Family History



Uncover your family secrets from home. Free access to [ancestry.com](https://ancestry.com)

<https://slwa.wa.gov.au/explore-discover/family-history>.

The State Library has many services to offer family history researchers, including several family history eResources you can access from the comfort of your own home. The Library's collection is particularly strong for Australian states and territories, Great Britain and New Zealand. The State Library's collection includes birth, marriage and death indexes, directories, electoral rolls, newspapers, maps and passenger lists. There are also records relating to cemeteries, census, convicts, courts, immigration, land allocation, probate and the military. In the family history section of this website, you will find links to books within the State Library's catalogue. Some of these family history books are only available in the Genealogy Centre of the State Library. However, there are many useful digital resources that you can access from home to get started with your family history research.



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# KIDS CORNER...



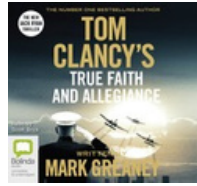
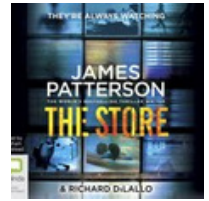
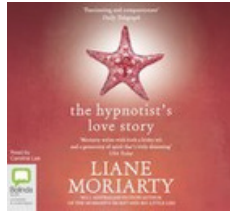
It's been wonderful sharing our Storytime throughout, what has been, a very unique year. Thank you for adapting to our new booking system and social distancing during these times.

The last Storytime for this year will be on Tuesday 8th December at 9:30am and then will recommence at the start of the new school term on Tuesday 2nd February 2021.

In the meantime, feel free to bring your children into the library and enjoy the books, games or puzzles in our lovely air-conditioned space.



# BorrowBox

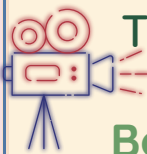


There are some great audiobooks that have been listed for simultaneous use over the months of November and December that are worth checking out. This means there's no waiting period.

## FREE MOVIES



Thursday 3rd December at 1pm  
"The Grand Seduction"



Thursday 17th December at 1pm  
"Learning to Drive"

Book at Exmouth Public Library



## CHRISTMAS TRIVIA



Can you name all eight reindeer mentioned in the 1823 Clement C Moor poem "A visit from St Nicholas" (also known as "T'was the Night Before Christmas")? Here's a hint (excerpt from the poem): "Now, Dasher! Now, Dancer! Now, Prancer, and Vixen! On, Comet! On, Cupid! On, Donner and Blitzen!"

Where was Rudolph? Rudolph didn't come along until 1939, when he was written into a Christmas promotional kids booklet for the Montgomery Ward chain of department stores by its ad man, Robert L. May. The story, "Rudolph the Red-nosed Reindeer" was about a reindeer whose glowing red nose made him a social outcast amongst his peers. One year, a heavy fog was causing much grief for Santa Claus's delivery round but when Santa came across Rudolph during the night, he realised that wonderful nose could be a makeshift lamp to guide his sleigh. Rudolph accepted the mission, helped get the presents delivered on time, and was hailed a hero on his return.

Sound like a familiar Christmas carol? After the book's success, May asked his song-writing brother-in-law, Johnny Marks, to write a song about Rudolph which was picked up by country singer Gene Autrey in 1949 and the rest of the story, as they say, went "down in history"!

fantastic prizes

Judging from 14th-17th Dec

## EXMOUTH 2020 Christmas (EXMAS) Lights Competition



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