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Kokoda 2010-12-16

an engrossing narrative beautifully controlled by a master storyteller michael mckernan sydney morning herald the bestselling acclaimed authoritative account of one of the most famous battles in australian military history now established as a classic for australians kokoda is the iconic battle of world war ii yet few people know just what happened and just what our troops achieved in his bestselling book peter fitsimons tells the kokoda story in his distinctive gripping style conditions on the track were hellish rain was constant the terrain close to inhospitable food and ammunition supplies were practically non existent and the men constantly battled malaria and dysentery as well as the japanese kokoda was a defining battle for australia a small force of young ill equipped australians engaged a highly experienced and hitherto unstoppable japanese force on a narrow precarious jungle track and defeated them

Kokoda 2016-10-25

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Kokoda DTD Edition 2006

the kokoda track is the symbol of world war ii for australians and now peter fitsimons takes readers up the track and into battle with the young men who fought there so courageously kokoda follows in the footsteps of the heroes and villains of the campaign as they climb the neverending steep mountain ranges dig in to protect their positions charge forth into frenzied battle or begin a long desperate trek back to safety as well as bringing the ragged bloody heroes of the australian army alive kokoda gives the perspective of the crack japanese troops and the extraordinary local people as well back cover

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Tobruk 2010-01-01

the number 1 non fiction bestseller more than 100 000 copies sold what we have we hold motto of australia s 2 17th battalion in the tradition of his bestselling kokoda peter fitzsims australia s most beloved popular historian focuses on one of the seminal moments in australian history the battle of tobruk in 1941 in which more than 15 000 australian troops backed by british artillery fought in excruciating desert heat through eight long months against adolf hitler s formidable afrika korps during the dark heart of world war ii when hitler turned his attention to conquering north africa a distracted and far fl ung allied force could not give its all to the defence of libya so the job was left to the roughest toughest bunch that could be mustered the australian imperial force the aif s defence of the harbour city of tobruk against the afrika korps armoured division is not only the stuff of australian legend it is one of the great battles of all time as against the might of general rommel and his panzers the australians relied on one factor in particular to give them the necessary strength against the enemy mateship drawing on extensive source material including diaries and letters many never published before this extraordinary book written in peter fitzsims highly readable style is the definitive account of this remarkable chapter in australia s history foreword by manfred rommel

James Cook 2020-05-07

captain james cook is one of the most recognisable in australian history an almost mythic figure who is often discussed celebrated reviled and debated but who was the real james cook the name captain james cook is one of the most recognisable in australian history an almost mythic figure who is often discussed celebrated reviled and debated but who was the real james cook this yorkshire farm boy would go on to become the foremost mariner navigator and cartographer of his era and to personally map a third of the globe his great voyages of discovery were incredible feats of seamanship and navigation leading a crew of men into uncharted territories cook would face the best and worst of humanity as he took himself and his crew to the edge of the known world and beyond with his masterful storytelling talent peter fitsimons brings james cook to life focusing on his most iconic expedition the voyage of the endeavour where cook first set foot on australian and new zealand soil fitsimons contrasts cook against another figure who looms large in australasian history joseph banks the aristocratic botanist as they left england banks a rich famous playboy was everything that cook was not the voyage tested cook s character and would help define his legacy now 240 years after james cook s death fitsimons reveals what kind of man james was at heart his strengths his weaknesses his passions and pursuits failures and successes james cook reveals the man behind the myth

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The Architect of Kokoda 2011-07-26

in my humble opinion bert kienzle did more than any other single man to make australian victory possible peter fitsimons author of kokoda in 1942 when the japanese had invaded papua new guinea and the australian soldiers sent to hold them back thought victory was impossible one man bert kienzle changed the course of history this charismatic man well known in papua for having run gold mines and plantations there was charged with the seemingly impossible task of establishing a trail across the forbidding owen stanley range in just a few short months out of jungle and mud kienzle carved a working transport route that his handpicked teams of native bearers the now famous fuzzy wuzzy angels would work on alongside the australian troops ensuring that the men got the food munitions and medical support they needed the feats that these men performed were heroic and their endurance as they transported supplies along the trail unparalleled bert kienzle lived an amazing life and the transport route he established the legendary kokoda trail made australia s victory possible this is his story

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The Battle of Long Tan 2022-10-26

From the bestselling author of Kokoda and Gallipoli comes the epic story of Australia's deadliest Vietnam War battle. At 4:31 PM, the enemy on the left flank could be serious. At 5:01 PM, the enemy penetrating both flanks and to the north and south. At 5:02 PM, running short of ammo, require drop through trees. It was the afternoon of 18 August 1966, hot, humid, with grey monsoonal skies. D Company 6RAR were four kilometres east of their Nui Dat base on patrol in a rubber plantation not far from the abandoned village of Long Tan. A day after their base had suffered a mortar strike, they were looking for Viet Cong soldiers. Then, just when they were least expecting, they found them under withering fire. Some diggers perished, some were

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grievously wounded the rest fought on as they remained under sustained attack for hours these men fought for their lives against the enemy onslaught the skies opened and the rain fell as ferocious mortar and automatic fire pinned them down snipers shot at close quarters from the trees that surrounded them the aussie kiwi and yankee artillery batteries knew it was up to them but outnumbered and running out of ammunition they fired loaded fired as viet cong and north vietnamese army forces just kept coming and coming their only hope was if armoured personnel carriers apcs could reach them before they were wiped out the apcs did their best but low cloud and thunderstorms meant air support was stalled a daring helicopter resupply mission was suggested but who would want to fly that the odds against this small force were monumental by far the deadliest battle for australasian forces in vietnam the battle of long tan has a proud place in the annals of australasian military history and every anzac who fought there could hold his head high peter fitzsimons australia s greatest storyteller tells the real story of this classic battle he reveals the horror the bravery the wins and the losses that faced our soldiers he brings to life the personal stories of the men who fought the events leading up to that memorable battle and the long war that followed and the political decisions made in the halls of power that sealed their fates the battle of long tan is an engrossing and powerful history that shows the costs of war never end

Gallipoli 2015-01-15

on 25 april 1915 allied forces landed on the gallipoli peninsula in present day turkey to secure the sea route between britain and france in the west and russia in the east after eight months of terrible fighting they would fail to this day turkey regards the victory as a defining moment in its history a heroic last stand in the defence of the ottoman empire but counter intuitively it would come to signify something perhaps even greater for the defeated allies in particular the australians and new zealanders the birth of their countries sense of nationhood now in the year that marks its centenary the gallipoli campaign commemorated each year on 25 april anzac day resonates with significance as the origin and symbol of australian and new zealand identity as such the facts of the campaign which was minor when compared to the overall scale of the first world war australian deaths were less than a sixth of their losses on the western front are often forgotten or obscured now the celebrated journalist and author peter fitsimons with his trademark vibrancy and expert melding of writing and research recreates the disastrous campaign as experienced by those who endured it or perished in the attempt

Mutiny on the Bounty 2018-10-30

the mutiny on hms bounty in the south pacific on 28 april 1789 is one of history s truly great stories a tale of human drama intrigue and adventure of the highest order and in the hands of peter fitzsimons it comes to life as never before commissioned by the royal navy to collect breadfruit plants from tahiti and take them to the west indies the bounty s crew found themselves in a tropical paradise five months later they did not want to leave under the leadership of fletcher christian most of the crew mutinied soon after sailing from tahiti setting captain william bligh and 18 loyal crewmen adrift in a small open boat in one of history s great feats of seamanship bligh navigated this tiny vessel for 3618 nautical miles to timor fletcher christian and the mutineers sailed back to tahiti where most remained and were later tried for mutiny but christian along with eight fellow mutineers and some tahitian men and women sailed off into the unknown eventually discovering the isolated pitcairn island at the time not even marked on british maps and settling there this astonishing story is historical adventure at its very best encompassing the mutiny bligh s monumental achievement in navigating to safety and fletcher christian and the mutineers own epic journey from the sensual paradise of tahiti to the outpost of pitcairn island the mutineers descendants live on pitcairn to this day amid swirling stories and rumours of past sexual transgressions and present day repercussions mutiny on the bounty is a sprawling dramatic tale of intrigue bravery and sheer boldness told with the accuracy of historical detail and

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total command of story that are peter fitzsimons trademarks

Monash's Masterpiece 2018-04-24

the battle of le hamel on 4 july 1918 was an allied triumph and strategically very important in the closing stages of wwi a largely australian force commanded by the brilliant sir john monash fought what has been described as the first modern battle where infantry tanks artillery and planes operated together as a coordinated force monash planned every detail meticulously with nothing left to chance integrated use of tanks planes infantry wireless and even carrier pigeons was the basis and it went on from there down to the details everyone used the same maps with updated versions delivered by motorbike despatch riders to senior commanders including monash each infantry battalion was allocated to a tank group and they advanced together supplies and ammunition were dropped as needed from planes the losses were relatively few in the words of monash a perfected modern battle plan is like nothing so much as a score for an orchestral composition where the various arms and units are the instruments and the tasks they perform are their respective musical phrases monash planned for the battle to last for 90 minutes in the end it went for 93 what happened in those minutes changed for the rest of the war the way the british fought battles and the tactics and strategies used by the allies peter fitzsimons brings this allied triumph to life and tells this magnificent story as it should be told

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Burke and Wills 2018-04-05

they have left here today he calls to the others when king puts his hand down above the ashes of the fire it is to find it still hot there is even a tiny flame flickering from the end of one log they must have left just hours ago melbourne 20 august 1860 in an ambitious quest to be the first europeans to cross the harsh australian continent the victorian exploring expedition sets off farewelled by 15 000 cheering well wishers led by robert o hara burke a brave man totally lacking in the bush skills necessary for his task surveyor and meteorologist william wills and 17 others the expedition took 20 tons of equipment carried on six wagons 23 horses and 26 camels almost immediately plagued by disputes and sackings the expeditioners battled the extremes of the australian landscape and weather its deserts the boggy mangrove swamps of the gulf the searing heat and flooding rains food ran short and unable to live off the land the men nevertheless mostly spurned the offers of help from the local indigenous people in desperation leaving the rest of the party at the expedition s depot on coopers creek burke wills and john king made a dash for the gulf in december 1860 bad luck and bad management would see them miss by just hours a rendezvous back at coopers creek leaving them stranded in the wilderness with practically no supplies only king survived to tell the tale yet despite their tragic fates the names of burke and wills have become synonymous with perseverance and bravery in the face of overwhelming odds they live on in australia s history and their story remains immediate and

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Ned Kelly 2015-11-05

love him or loathe him ned kelly has been at the heart of australian culture and identity since he and his gang were tracked down in bushland by the victorian police and came out fighting dressed in bulletproof iron armour made from farmers ploughs historians still disagree over virtually every aspect of the eldest kelly boy s brushes with the law did he or did he not shoot constable fitzpatrick at their family home was he a lawless thug or a noble robin hood a remorseless killer or a crusader against oppression and discrimination was he even a political revolutionary an australian republican channelling the spirit of eureka peter fitzsimons bestselling chronicler of many of the great defining moments and people of australian history is the perfect person to tell this most iconic of all australian stories from kelly s early days in beveridge victoria in the mid 1800s to the felons apprehension act which made it possible for anyone to shoot the kelly gang to ned s appearance in his now famous armour prompting the shocked and bewildered police to exclaim he is the devil and he is the bunyip fitzsimons brings the history of ned kelly and his gang exuberantly to life weighing in on all the myths legends and controversies generated by this compelling and divisive irish australian rebel

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Mawson 2014

the story of australia s most famous polar explorer sir douglas mawson and the giants from the heroic age of polar exploration scott amundsen and shackleton the author provides a portrait of these great antarctic explorers and weaves together their legendary feats into one account

Breaker Morant 2020-10-27

the epic story of the boer war and harry breaker morant drover horseman bush poet murderer or hero most australians have heard of the boer war and of harry breaker morant a figure who rivals ned kelly as an archetypal australian folk hero but morant was a complicated man born in england and immigrating to queensland in 1883 he established a reputation as a rider polo player and poet who submitted ballads to the bulletin and counted banjo paterson as a friend travelling on his wits and the goodwill of others morant was quick to act when appeals were made for horsemen to serve in the war in south africa he joined up first with the south australian mounted rifles and then with a south african irregular unit the bushveldt carbineers the adventure would not go as breaker planned in october 1901 lieutenant harry morant and two other australians lieutenants peter handcock and george winton were arrested for the murder of boer prisoners morant and handcock were court

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martialled and executed in february 1902 as the boer war was in its closing stages but the debate over their convictions continues to this day with his masterful command of story peter fitsimons takes us to the harsh landscape of southern africa and into the bloody action of war against an unpredictable force using modern commando tactics the truths fitsimons uncovers about the breaker and the part he played in the boer war are astonishing and finally we will know if the breaker was a hero a cad a scapegoat or a criminal

The Kokoda Campaign 1942 2012-03-02

the fighting on the kokoda track in world war ii is second only to gallipoli in the australian national consciousness the kokoda campaign of 1942 has taken on mythical status in australian military history according to the legend australian soldiers were vastly outnumbered by the japanese who suffered great losses in battle and as a result of the harsh conditions of the kokoda track in this important book peter williams seeks to dispel the kokoda myth using extensive research and japanese sources he explains what really happened on the kokoda track in 1942 unlike most other books written from an australian perspective the kokoda campaign 1942 myth and reality focuses on the strategies tactics and battle plans of the japanese and shows that the australian were in fact rarely outnumbered for the first time this book combines narrative with careful analysis to present

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an undistorted picture of the events of the campaign it is a must read for anyone who is interested in the truth of the kokoda campaign of 1942

Gotta Love This Country! 2015-12-01

you gotta love this country when an afl legend takes his mum instead of his girlfriend to the brownlow when an australian cricket captain joins a bunch of fourteen year olds for a bit of street cricket when a bloke wins the australian marbles championship after being reunited with the tom bowlers his brother threw away forty years ago and when the dry cleaner down the road is called drop your pants peter fitzsimons celebrates the good the generous the kind and the downright strange in this hilarious and heart warming collection of stories from daily life and grassroots sporting fields around the country it s enough for you to puff out your chest and say gotta love this country

The Sydney Opera House 2022-11-03

if only these walls and this land could talk the sydney opera house is a breathtaking building recognised around the world as a symbol of modern australia along with the taj mahal and other world heritage sites it is celebrated for its architectural grandeur and the daring and innovation of its design it showcases the incomparable talents involved in its conception

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construction and performance history but this stunning house on bennelong point also holds many secrets and scandals in his gripping biography peter fitsimons marvels at how this magnificent building came to be details its enthralling history and reveals the dramatic stories and hidden secrets about the people whose lives have been affected both negatively and positively by its presence he shares how a conservative 1950s state government had the incredible vision and courage to embark on this nation defining structure how an architect from denmark and construction workers from australia and abroad invented new techniques to bring it to completion how ambition betrayal professional rivalry sexual intrigue murder bullying and breakdowns are woven into its creation and how it is now acknowledged as one of the wonders and masterpieces of human ingenuity

A Simpler Time 2010-07-01

an affectionate and hilarious tribute to the childhood of another era from one of australia s favourite authors a memoir of love laughter loss and billycarts peter fitsimons s account of growing up on the rural outskirts of sydney in the 1960s is first and foremost a tribute to family but it is also a salute to times and generations past when praise was understated but love unstinting work was hard and values clear when people stood by each other in adversity above all in the fitsimons home days were for doing in this rollicking and often hilarious memoir peter describes a childhood of mischief camaraderie eccentric characters

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drama and constant love and generosity the childhood of a simpler time this edition now includes supplementary reading group notes

Kokoda Trail for Dummies 2012-02-23

everything you need to know about the kokoda trail and its place in australian history interest in the kokoda trail is growing rapidly among many australians both for its attraction as a hiking destination and for its historical significance kokoda for dummies offers a fast track tool for learning everything you need to know about this unique thoroughfare in one concise volume part history book part practical guide kokoda for dummies is perfect both for those considering following our diggers footsteps along the track or armchair travellers who want to learn about its history covering the full history of the kokoda trail from its beginnings as an overland mail route to the fierce battles between the australians and the japanese that took place along its length during world war ii the book also includes important information on walking the trail yourself from the steps you need to take to get ready to what to bring kokoda for dummies is the definitive resource for anyone looking for a comprehensive overview of this significant landmark focuses on walking the track as a pilgrimage and a history lesson for history buffs and hiking enthusiasts alike covers the health and safety concerns involved with walking the track including a basic kokoda itinerary contains eyewitness accounts of the kokoda battles gleaned from interviews

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conducted with australian and japanese war veterans a comprehensive but accessible history of the kokoda trail and its significance to australia in one volume

Batavia 2012

no further information has been provided for this title

The Opera House 2022-03-30

the sun did not know how beautiful its light was until it was reflected off this building louis kahn us architect if only these walls and this land could talk the sydney opera house is a breathtaking building recognised around the world as a symbol of modern australia along with the taj mahal and other world heritage sites it is celebrated for its architectural grandeur and the daring and innovation of its design it showcases the incomparable talents involved in its conception construction and performance history but this stunning house on bennelong point also holds many secrets and scandals in his gripping biography peter fitzsimons marvels at how this magnificent building came to be details its enthralling history and reveals the dramatic stories and hidden secrets about the people whose lives have been affected both negatively and positively by its presence he shares how a conservative 1950s state government had the incredible vision and courage to embark on this nation defining

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Kokoda 2017-03-27

kokoda beyond the legend provides readers with a complete understanding of this major turning point in the second world war

The Rugby War 2003

tells the story of the revolution in world rugby that led to the game becoming fully professional the author relates the battle for control of rugby union between kerry packer and rupert murdoch

FitzSimons on Rugby 1999

this is a fully updated edition of peter fitsimons collection of rugby writings with a wealth of new material to take advantage of the rugby world cup in england in september this year

The Incredible Life of Hubert Wilkins 2022-05-05

sir hubert wilkins is one of the most remarkable australians who ever lived the son of pioneer pastoralists in south australia hubert studied engineering before moving on to photography in 1908 he sailed for england and a job producing films with the gaumont film co brave and bold he became a polar expeditioner a brilliant war photographer a spy in the soviet union a pioneering aviator navigator a death defying submariner all while being an explorer and chronicler of the planet and its life forms that would do vasco da gama and sir david attenborough proud as a ww1 photographer he was twice awarded the military cross for bravery under fire the only australian photographer in any war to be decorated he explored the antarctic with sir ernest Shackleton led a groundbreaking ornithological study in australia and was knighted in 1928 for his aviation exploits but many more astounding achievements would follow wilkins quest for knowledge and polar explorations were lifelong passions and his missions to polar regions aboard the submarine nautilus the stuff of legend with masterful storytelling skill peter fitsimons illuminates the life of hubert wilkins and his

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incredible achievements thrills and spills derring do new worlds discovered this is the most unforgettable tale of the most extraordinary life lived by any australian

The Vietnam Years *2011-02-01*

the vietnam war was the longest and most divisive war in our history almost 60 000 australians served and more than 500 were killed at home thousands protested against the war and conscription and hundreds were sent to jail the vietnam years is the story of both sides of that war from the vicious fighting of the jungle patrols and the bravery shown by so many australians at the famous battle of long tan to families back home ripped apart by confusion and anger from vung tau to nui dat from bankstown to broadmeadows this is a book about australians and for australians

War Behind the Wire *2010-12-01*

michael caulfield presents accounts of australian prisoners of war capturing the aussie spirit that manages to endure through all

Little Theories of Life 2011

why does the dominant partner in any sexual relationship usually sleep on the side of the bed nearest the door is there a direct relationship between the length of hemlines and the state of the national economy are odd numbers evil and why do drivers with hats drive 40 kilometres per hour slower than those without these are the big questions of life and it takes a brave man to tackle them the italian versus australian theory of traffic lights who gets the spare armrest between aeroplane seats why men fall asleep after love making in this updated edition of the best selling little theories of life author broadcaster and columnist peter fitzsimons is your ideal guide to the weird world of the popular theory the urban myth and the land of did you know

To Kokoda 2014-10-05

when the japanese war machine swept through south east asia in early 1942 it was inevitable that conflict would reach australian territory on the island of new guinea the ultimate japanese target was port moresby conquering the capital would sever communication between australia and her american ally and allow japanese air power to threaten australia s northern cities when a seaborne invasion was thwarted at the battle of the coral sea the nankai shitai landed in papua on 21 july and lunched an overland attack

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having captured the village of kokoda with its vital airstrip the japanese headed for port moresby traversing the treacherous kokoda trail that winds across the might owen stanley range the australian army was ill prepared to confront the japanese poorly equipped undertrained and unaccustomed to jungle warfare the untested militia battalions were the first to face the battle hardened invading forces later when veteran aif brigades were rushed forward to bolster the militia they also fell in the path of the japanese onslaught but the over extension of supply lines and disaster on Guadalcanal eventually cruelled japanese aspirations and the kokoda campaign became a bloody and protracted struggle as the australian troops fought to drive the japanese off the owen stanleys and out of papua while the front line troops were engaged in a bitter fight for survival a power struggle erupted at the top of the allied command hierarchy resulting in a series of sackings the competing ambitions of the allied commanders clouding their judgement at a critical time it was under these conditions against a determined enemy and on one of the harshest battlefields on earth that the australian forces began to learn the crucial lessons that would be needed to break the back of the japanese army in new guinea

Great Australian Sports Champions 2006

looks at the people who have shaped australian sport becoming our local heroes from allan langer to dawn fraser this is both an historical account with a view to the future in the

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Lonely Planet Papua New Guinea & Solomon Islands

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lonely planet the world s leading travel guide publisher lonely planet papua new guinea solomon islands is your passport to the most relevant up to date advice on what to see and skip and what hidden discoveries await you dive among luminous coral reefs watch a traditional singing festival group or sleep in a stilt house on the mighty sepik river all with your trusted travel companion get to the heart of papua new guinea and the solomon islands and begin your journey now inside lonely planet papua new guinea solomon islands colour maps and images throughout highlights and itineraries help you tailor your trip to your personal needs and interests insider tips to save time and money and get around like a local avoiding crowds and trouble spots essential info at your fingertips hours of operation phone numbers websites transit tips prices honest reviews for all budgets eating sleeping sight seeing going out shopping hidden gems that most guidebooks miss cultural insights give you a richer more rewarding travel experience the kokoda trail history environment culture politics over 45 maps covers port moresby central province oro province milne bay province morobe province madang province the highlands the sepik island provinces the solomon

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Victory at Villers-Bretonneux 2017-10-16

it s early 1918 and after four brutal years the fate of the great war hangs in the balance on the one hand the fact that vladimir lenin and the bolsheviks have seized power in russia immediately suing for peace with germany means that no fewer than one million of the kaiser s soldiers can now be transferred from there to the western front on the other now that america has entered the war it means that two million american soldiers are also on their way to tip the scales of war to the allies the germans realising that their only hope is striking at the allied lines first do exactly that and on the morning of 21 march 1918 the kaiserschlacht the kaiser s battle is launched the biggest set piece battle the world has ever seen across a 45 mile front no fewer than two million german soldiers hurl themselves at the allied lines with the specific intention of splitting the british and french forces and driving all the way through to the town of villers bretonneux at which point their artillery will be able to rain down shells on the key train hub town of amiens thus throttling the allied supply lines for nigh on two weeks the plan works brilliantly and the germans are able to advance without check as the exhausted british troops flee before them together with tens of thousands of french refugees in desperation the british commander general douglas haig calls upon the australian soldiers to stop the german advance and save villers bretonneux if the australians can hold this the very gate to amiens then the germans will not win the war it s up to us then one of the diggers writes in his diary arriving at villers bretonneux just in

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time the australians are indeed able to hold off the germans launching a vicious counterattack that hurls the germans back the first time and then on anzac day 1918 when the town falls after all to the british defenders it is again the australians who are called on to save the day the town and the entire battle not for nothing does the primary school at villers bretonneux have above every blackboard to this day n oublions jamais l australie never forget australia and they never have

The Ballad of Les Darcy 2010-06-01

an australian hero torn between family and country put les darcy in a uniform and the men of australia will march to hell behind him that was the message trained on australia s great blacksmith boxer as debate about conscription raged in the middle of world war i the problem was that les darcy didn t want to march at the fore of such a procession nor to such a destination he wanted to continue what he had been doing to extraordinary acclaim before the war began taking on the best boxers the world could throw at him and lifting his entire family out of poverty as he did so torn between the duty he felt he owed his family and the duty many felt he owed his country les made his choice and faced the consequences and so unfolds a ballad of love war betrayal mystery patriotism and heroism a ballad of a champion whose story still has the power to move the stoniest heart

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Fromelles and Pozieres 2017-08-14

in the trenches of hell in the trenches of hell on 19 july 1916 7000 australian soldiers in the first major action of the aif on the western front attacked entrenched german positions at fromelles in northern france by the next day there were over 5500 casualties including nearly 2000 dead a bloodbath that the australian war memorial describes as the worst 24 hours in australia s entire history just days later three australian divisions attacked german positions at nearby pozi res and over the next six weeks they suffered another 23 000 casualties of that bitter battle the great australian war correspondent charles bean would write the field of pozi res is more consecrated by australian fighting and more hallowed by australian blood than any field which has ever existed yet the sad truth is that nearly a century on from those battles australians know only a fraction of what occurred this book brings the battles back to life and puts the reader in the moment illustrating both the heroism displayed and the insanity of the british plan with his extraordinary vigour and commitment to research peter fitsimons shows why this is a story about which all australians can be proud and angry

Pacific Exposures 2018-12-19

photography has been a key means by which australians have sought to define their relationships with japan from the fascination with all things japanese in the late nineteenth century through the era of white australia the bitter enmity of the pacific war the path to reconciliation in the post war period and the culturally complicated bilateralism of today australians have used their cameras to express a divided sense of conflict and kinship with a country that has by turns fascinated and infuriated the remarkable photographs collected and discussed here for the first time shed new light on the history of australia s engagement with its most important regional partner pacific exposures argues that photographs tell an important story of cultural production response and reaction not only about how australians have pictured japan over the decades but how they see their own place in the asia pacific pacific exposures presents the first study of the photographic exchanges between australia and japan its photographers personalities motivations anxieties and tensions based on a diverse range of archival materials interviews and well chosen photographs dr luke gartlan university of st andrews pacific exposures will become a key text on australia s interactions with japan and the way that photographs can inform cross cultural relations through their production consumption and circulation prof kate darian smith university of tasmania

The Catalpa Rescue 2019-10-03

the incredible true story of one of the most extraordinary and inspirational prison breaks in
australian history new york 1874 members of the clan na gael agitators for irish freedom
from the english yoke hatch a daring plan to free six irish political prisoners from the most
remote prison in the british empire fremantle prison in western australia under the guise of
a whale hunt captain anthony sets sail on the catalpa to rescue the men from the stone walls
of this hell on earth known to the inmates as a living tomb what follows is one of history s
most stirring sagas that splices irish american british and australian history together in its
climactic moment for ireland who had suffered english occupation for 700 years a successful
escape was an inspirational call to arms for america it was a chance to slap back at britain
for their support of the south in the civil war for england a humiliation and for a young
australia still not sure if it was great britain in the south seas or worthy of being an
independent country in its own right it was proof that great britain was not unbeatable told
with fitsimons trademark combination of arresting history and storytelling verve the
catalpa rescue is a tale of courage and cunning the fight for independence and the triumph
of good men against all odds

Affective Geographies of Transformation, Exploration and Adventure 2018-06-27

combining critical reflections from scholars around the globe as well as experiential records from some of the world's most tenacious explorers this book interrogates the concept of the frontier as a realm of transformation exploration and adventure we discover the affective power of social physical spiritual and political frontiers in shaping humanity's abilities to change and become we collectively unpack the enduring conceptualization of the frontier as a site of nation state identity formation violent colonization masculine prowess and the triumph of progress in its place this book charts a more complex and subtle emotional geography amidst an array of frontiers the expanding human psyche that is induced under free diving narcosis and tales of survival on one of the most technically difficult mountains in the world the ocre chapters consider solitude in the sahara near death experiences in tibetan buddhism the aftermath of a volcanic eruption in bali the spanish imaginary snatched moments of sexual curiosity and many more this book will be of utmost importance to researchers working on theories of affect the anthropocene frontier theory and human geography it will be vital supplementary reading for undergraduates and postgraduates on courses such as heritage studies human and cultural geography anthropology tourism studies and history

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