



# Thirroul Readers & Writers Festival

Date/Time	Event	Details
<b>Friday 25th</b> 5- 7pm	<b>Children's "PJ and Pizza Party"</b>	Target age: 8-12 years, siblings welcome Children move between a series of stations around the library – directed by library staff. At each station, one of 6 different guests is situated, offering book signings and a simple relevant activity/craft/mini writing activity <b>Book signings with authors</b>
7:30 – 10 pm	<b>Welcome to The Festival</b> A smorgasbord of music and words to start the 2017 Thirroul Readers and Writers Festival!	Welcome from Committee: Welcome to Country given by <b>Richard Davis</b> <b>David Malouf</b> , a Lifetime Ambassador for the Indigenous Literacy Foundation (ILF) will talk about what the Foundation does in remote indigenous communities and our festivals partnership with them <i>Sally Forth</i> – a local 4 part acapella group with a selection of eclectic unaccompanied songs <b>Interval</b> <b>Jeff Apter</b> will launch his new book <i>High Voltage; the life of Angus Young ACDC's Last Man Standing</i>
<b>Saturday 26th</b> 10.30 – 12.30pm	<b>Book Tasting</b>	Words AND food, what more could you want! (An event organized by the Thirroul Librarians)
10.15–11.15	<b>Salt Blood</b>	<b>Michael Adams</b> , the winner of this year's Australian Book Review's <i>Calibre Essay</i> talks about and reads from his essay,
11.30 – 1pm	<b>Sporting Conversations with...</b>	<b>Gideon Haigh</b> author of <i>A Stroke of Genius - Victor Trumper and the shot that changed cricket</i> ) and <b>Jeremy Wilshire</b> author of <i>Test of Character; Confessions of Cricket Legends</i>

## LUNCH 1pm to 1:45pm

1:45 – 2:45pm	<b>In conversation with...</b>	<b>Catherine McKinnon</b> author of <i>Storyland</i> in conversation with <b>Caroline Baum</b> , author of <i>Only – A Singular Memoir</i>
3:00 – 3:45pm	<b>Who Are You? Part 1</b>	<b>Jeff Apter</b> , author of <i>High Voltage; the life of Angus Young ACDC's Last Man Standing</i> , in conversation with <b>Tim Douglas</b>

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4.00–4.45pm	<b>Who Are You? Part 2</b>	<b>Ashleigh Wilson</b> , author of <i>Brett Whiteley: Art, Life and the Other Thing</i> , in conversation with <b>Tim Douglas</b>
5:00 – 5:45pm	<b>Who Are You? Part 3</b>	<b>Kerrie Davies</b> , author of <i>The Wife's Heart; The Untold Story of Bertha and Henry Lawson</i> , in conversation with <b>Tim Douglas</b> , with <b>Tom Wilkie-Black</b> reading the poems of Henry Lawson
6:00 – 6:30pm	<b>Canapes with the Authors</b>	
6.45pm	Judy Stubbs, (the director of <i>Eklektika</i> ) will give a short talk about Madness and how it informs her music (and other things!	
7.30pm	<b>Performance by Eklektika Cabaret Gothique</b>	The Mad Scientist. The Mad Wife in the Attic. The Hunchback Driven Mad by Love. Join Eklektika & Friends as they explore madness in all its guises through their favourite Gothic characters and their unique take on the music of Prince, Sia, Nine Inch Nails, Florence & The Machine, Leonard Cohen, Muse, Neil Finn and more.
<b>Sunday 27th</b> 11:00 – 12pm	<b>'A Writing Life'</b>	<b>Libby Gleeson</b> talks about the difficulties and the struggles writers have to face to make a living in the 21st Century
12:15 – 1:00pm	<b>In conversation with...</b>	<b>Simon Luckhurst</b> , author of <i>Charlie's Wives</i> In conversation with Tim Allen

### LUNCH 1:00pm to 2:00

2:00 – 3:30pm	<b>'Writing as Activism'</b> panel discussion chaired by <b>Josie Castle</b>	<p><b>Simon Luckhurst</b>, author of <i>Eddie's Country – Why Did Eddie Murray Die</i> the story of an Aboriginal death in custody and the repercussions of that death "One of the most important books in my lifetime..." John Pilger);</p> <p><b>Denise Russell</b>, author of <i>Women, Madness and Medicine</i> and <i>Who Rules the Waves? Piracy, Overfishing and Mining the Oceans</i>;</p> <p><b>Jane Lymer</b> author of <i>The Phenomenology of Gravidity: Reframing Pregnancy and the Maternal through Merleau-Ponty, Levinas and Derrida</i></p>
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