

West Australian

Young Readers'



Book Awards

Newsletter Term 1 2004

PO Box 256 GUILDFORD WA 6935

Meet Jo Coghlan - a new West Australian Author

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday February 17th at 4:15 PM

To be held at **Westbooks**

122 Burswood Road, Victoria Park

Display of listed Books *Participation tips*

Purchase stickers, bookmarks and our new Peter Kendall poster

WAYRBA for 2004

Enclosed with this newsletter is everything you need to participate in the 2004 West Australian Young Readers' Book Award.

Bookmarks, Stickers and Posters

This year Peter Kendall has created the most amazing poster for us. Wait till you see it! Stickers are a purple colour.

An order form is enclosed which should be completed and sent off as soon as possible, OR come along to the Annual General Meeting and pick up all your stationery there. We will accept cash and issue you with a tax invoice if you purchase your stationery at the AGM.

All stationery orders must reach us by Thursday **April 15th**. **No late orders will be processed.** The first round of orders will be packed on March 16th and sent by courier or post immediately after that date.

How to Vote

Voting is very easy. Photocopy the voting slip after first writing in the name of your School or Library. Place a voting form into each of the books from the lists or leave a number of voting forms near your display of WAYRBA books.

Once students have voted please sign and sort the votes into alphabetical order by author's surname and forward to -

Attention: Votes Coordinator
WAYRBA, PO Box 256
GUILDFORD 6935

OR - If your school uses the Government School or Catholic School courier drop it in the courier bag addressed to

Government Schools -
Courier # B175
Alinjarra Primary School
Northumberland Ave
ALEXANDER HEIGHTS
Attn: Chris Begovich - WAYRBA

Catholic Schools -
St Maria Goretti Primary School
64 Morrison Street
REDCLIFFE

Attn: Rosemary Bennett - WAYRBA

You can send votes in at any time. We do appreciate getting them early as it makes counting easier for us. Please do not staple the votes together. All votes must be sent to the above addresses by 2nd of August.

Selection of Books

There are two lists - one for Younger and one for Older Readers. Readers are able to read and vote for books from either list, as they have no prescribed year levels.

REMEMBER - The books on the list have been nominated by the young readers of Western Australia and it is important that you **carefully consider your selection policy** before purchasing. Individual authorities are expected to make their own decisions regarding any controversial aspects of books purchased for their readers.

You do not have to purchase all the books to participate in the voting.

Nominations for 2005 Lists

Encourage your readers to nominate books they have enjoyed for the 2005 lists by completing a Nomination Form (photocopy after adding your Library's name) and forward it to WAYRBA.

Dates to Remember

Start Promoting WAYRBA - Anytime, the sooner the better! -

WAYRBA AGM - Tuesday **February 17** 4:15 PM
at Westbooks - *All Welcome!*

Stationery orders close - **April 15**, 2004

Voting closes - **August 2**, 2004

Book Week - **Aug 16 - 22**

Presentation Night - Friday **September 24**, 2004
7:00PM

WAYRBA Web Site

To find any information relating to WAYRBA check out the site at

www.wayrba.iinet.net.au

If you wish to contact us by email please use this email address -

wayrba@iinet.net.au

To save on postage and printing cost, we would appreciate it if libraries would consider having their newsletter emailed to them. If so, please contact us at the above address giving us your email address.

WAYRBA AGM

Don't forget our AGM at **Westbooks** on Tuesday, **February 17th** at **4:15pm**. Come along and meet **Jo Coghlan** who has written *Switched*, which is on the Younger Readers' list.

Peter Kendall, illustrator of *A Sausage Went for a Walk*, has created the 2004 WAYRBA poster. Peter also does school visits. If you are interested in contacting him check out his web site -

www.peterkendall.com.au
artistpk@bigpond.com

We will have the books on display as well as helping with a few ideas for promoting the WA Young Readers' Book Awards in your library. WAYRBA stationery will be available for purchase at the AGM.

All executive positions on the WA Young Readers' Book Award Committee are open.

If you are interested in nominating for a position please email us before Tuesday February 11th.

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If you have queries on any aspect of WAYRBA - Please contact - Rosemary Bennett 9454 7831, Deborah Connell connellp@wantree.com.au or wayrba@iinet.net.au. Or check our web site at www.wayrba.iinet.net.au