

Blokey Stuff

For the men in your life, or the boy within.



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History of Father's Day

A brief research of the history of Father's Day shows this year may well be its centenary!

A little searching found a recurring story about a woman in Washington, Sorora Dodd (nee Smart) who while celebrating Mother's Day, thought of honouring her father, a sole parent of 6. This may have been in 1908 or 1909. Possibly the first public Father's Day event was held at the YMCA in Spokane Washington in 1910.

Another story of the creation of Father's Day is as a memorial service held 5th July 1908 for victims of a mine explosion at Monongah, West Virginia, which killed 361 men, many of them fathers.

In Australia and NZ, Father's Day is celebrated on the first Sunday in September each year. However, the date of Father's Day varies wildly from country to country. In various cultures it has been adopted and tied to other significant dates or related celebrations. In Australia there are several Father of the Year awards linked to fund raising for deserving charities. You may notice these attracting media attention early September.

Father's Day this year is Sunday 7th September. Remember your Dad, visit him if you can.

Of course, we here at Blokey Stuff encourage you to give your Dad a gift for Father's Day. We are experienced at matching stuff to blokes, and would love to help your choose. Contact us early if you are after a particular item, so we can have enough for all.

Dr Who

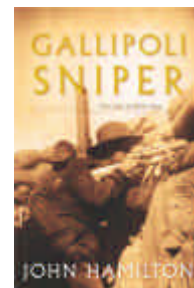


We are expecting a new batch of Doctor Who figurines and gadgets related to the current series (season 4). Supply of these is problematic so if interested let us know now and we will notify you when they arrive. We are happy to reserve items before they're all gone.

Military History

We sell a lot of Australian military history books. Ask us if you are after a particular title. Here are some recent releases.

Gallipoli Sniper by John Hamilton
The Anzac battlefield on Gallipoli was made for snipers. Anzac and Turkish positions often overlooked one another. The most successful sniper of the Gallipoli campaign was Billy Sing, with over 200 credited "kills". \$34.99



Hard Jacka by Michael Lawriwsky



The Story of a Gallipoli Legend
Albert Jacka's acts of selfless heroism at Gallipoli would win him a VC, and his bravery in the battlefields of France would win him the unwavering loyalty of his mates. One of Australia's best soldiers. \$24.95

The Forgotten Few by Doug Hurst
No 77 Squadron went to Korea in 1950, flying Mustang fighters as part of a UN force aiding South Korea fight invading communists from the north. Squadron pilots faced a one in four chance of death or capture for much of the war. Their deeds warranted lasting fame. \$29.95



Pacific Fury by Peter Thompson



How Australia and her Allies Defeated the Japanese Scourge
Australian voices and action at the heart of the desperate struggle that was WWII in the Pacific. Based on exclusive interviews with eyewitnesses. \$54.95

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Recently Arrived Drinking Stuff

We get in lots of fun drinking themed gifts. Branded items are licensed product and great for fans. Add some humour and conversation starters to your party, or just amuse yourself. Serious to silly, check out our stuff...



Talking Beer Openers. \$12.95 to \$19.95

We have a new batch of licensed beer openers with recorded sound grabs. Touching the contacts to a beer cap activates recognizable voices from TV. The VB opener has John Meilion's voice with the "Hard earned thirst" slogan, The Simpsons opener has Homer's positive opinion of beer, etc

Crown Lager

Wall Mount Bottle Opener

Gold colour cast metal wall mount bottle opener sporting the Crown Lager logo. Fix to the beer fridge or nearby wall. \$14.95



Keyring: Coca Cola Bottle

Miniature glass bottle on chain and keyring. Do you have a friend who drinks a lot of coke? \$9.95



Coca-Cola Shot Glass

Genuine Coca-Cola Contour Glass 2.25oz. Each \$4.95



Stubby Holder Duff Beer

A stubby holder in insulating neoprene, coloured and labeled to make your beer look like a Duff beer can. \$11.00



Wine Bottle Puzzle

Wooden puzzle for the wine lover. You may disassemble the bottle easily, but can you get it back together? \$19.95



No Gut no Glory Oversize Beer Glass



Printed with slogan and image of a drinking bloke with a beer belly dressed in blue singlet, stubby shorts and work boots. Glass with handle. \$29.95

Yard Glass

2750ml hand blown yard glass with wooden stand. For the coming of age birthday party \$59.95 Also available is the half yard glass \$49.95



Oak Barrel 750mL



Coopered barrel made from oak. Once it is watertight (The origin of the word?), fill it with port or other favourite drink. Leave for a couple of weeks to allow the oak to flavour the wine. The wine will be "oaked". \$59.95

Liquor Bowser Double

A bench standing themed liquor dispenser that looks like an old fashioned petrol bowser. Holds two types of drink, each with its hose and 'fill her up' handle. \$49.95



Ice Tray Girls

Sexy ice blocks. Freeze water in these shapely curves. 5 large iceblocks per tray. Add some laughter to a party. \$4.95



VB Blood Sweat and Beers Glass

Schooner beer glass with the reminder of the blood and sweat it takes to earn the thirst for beer. \$19.95



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