

Read of the week

The Complaints, Ian Rankin
Orion Books
Review: Brian Joss

When that irascible Scottish Detective Inspector John Rebus retired in Exit Music, after 17 gripping thrillers, I wondered whether author Ian Rankin would create another character or a new series. Rebus was always going to be a hard act to follow but fans needn't worry, Malcom Fox, who makes his debut in The Complaints, is the new hero. He is almost the exact opposite of the charismatic Rebus, who enjoys his drink and tad street cred. Fox, on the other hand, has only been a teetotaler after a bout with alcoholism. He lives in a beige bachelor bungalow on



his own, still feels guilty after beating up his ex-wife, watches reruns of Top Gear, and while Rebus was a classic rock fundi, Fox's favourite radio station is one that plays birdsong.

Rankin has kept Edinburgh, the city he knows so well, as the backdrop for his new hero's adventures.

The year is 2009 and Scotland is in the grip of the recession. Buildings are half-completed and the poor and homeless are even more vulnerable.

Inspector Fox works in the Complaints and Conduct department, whose members are pariahs, because they investigate other cops for serious infringements: corruption and racism, for starters.

While the complaints team have finally

been able to compile enough evidence to make a case against Glen Heaton of the CID, who has been bending the rules for the past 11 years, Fox is given another job, to expose a cop, Jamie Breck, who is suspected of being a member of an internet paedophile ring.

However, there's no proof and Fox is ordered to get close to him to find it. But Fox has another problem, his sister Jude's abusive partner, Vince Faulkner, is found dead and she is being accused of his murder.

There are lots of questions: Is Breck a paedophile? Why is he being watched? Are Fox and Breck being set up? And by whom? And why? Why was Faulkner murdered? These disparate threads are brought together in Rankin's inimitable style.

It is a gripping read from page one and it will keep you reading and guessing late into the night. Here's a due thought: Follow the money.

It's white-knuckle stuff as The Complaints races to an explosive climax. Don't miss it.

CAT SHOW



PICTURE: JOHANN THERON

The Western Province Cat Club will have its first show of the season on Saturday March 13, at the Durbanville town hall, from 10.30am to 4.30pm. Entry is R10 for adults and R5 for children. Call Brenda on 082 492 2296 or 021 671 5332 for details. Grand Champion Hillstblues Mufusa of Thomas Omali, a Ruddy Somali male imported from America and owned by Jackie Hoare of Cape Town, will be competing for championship points.



The Last Night of the Proms is fast approaching and the Wynberg Rotary Club committee is busy doing the final touches. The Proms showcases some of the most talented performers in the classical and opera music industry. The show will take place on Saturday March 27, at 8pm, and Sunday March 28, at 7pm, at the Cape Town City Hall. Tickets are R160 and R200 and all proceeds go to Childline. Book at Computicket. Call Graham Todd on 021 712 4070 or 083 414 0462 or email gtodd@intekom.co.za. Pictured is the Cape Town Male Voice Choir, who will be performing at the Proms.

CELINE
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This show pays tribute to the talented Canadian diva, Celine Dion. Her incredibly clear and effortless vocals are universally admired, and to her fans, she is the greatest singer of all time. During the show be expected to hear favourite hits such as *It's all coming back to me*, *Because you loved me*, *I drove all night* & *My heart will go on*, and many others.

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AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT AND ASSOCIATED SPECIALIST STUDIES FOR PUBLIC REVIEW

As part of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) process for the proposed Eskom Nuclear Power Station and associated infrastructure, the public is hereby notified of the availability of the Draft EIA Report and associated specialist studies for public review and comment. The Draft EIA Report (hard copy and CD) will be made available during the Comment Period **6 March 2010 - 10 May 2010** at the following public venues:

Eastern Cape, Public Libraries: Humansdorp, Jeffery's Bay, Kareedouw, Kruisfontein, Plettenberg Bay and St Francis Bay. **Other venues:** Oyster Bay - Oesterbaai Eilandomme

Western Cape, Public Libraries: Atlantis, Bredasdorp, Elim, Gansbaai, Hermanus, Koeberg, Milnerton, Table View and Ververdiend (Bredasdorp). **Other venues:** Arcus GIBB Cape Town Office, Baardskeerdersbos Winkel, Jenny's landetaar (Wolvengat).

Public Venue, Gauteng: Arcus GIBB Office, 14 Eglon Road, Sunninghill, Johannesburg

The Draft EIA Report can also be downloaded from the following websites:

- Eskom's website: www.eskom.co.za/eia under the "Nuclear 1-Generation" link
- Arcus GIBB website: <http://projects.gibb.co.za/> under the "Nuclear 1 EIA" link

Summaries of the Draft EIA Report are available from the Public Participation Office.

PUBLIC MEETINGS

All Interested and Affected Parties are invited to attend Public Meetings scheduled as follows:

| PROVINCE | AREA | DAY AND DATE | VENUE | TIME |
|--------------|----------------|----------------------|---------------------------------|---------------|
| Western Cape | Hermanus | Tue, 23 March 2010 | Overstrand Municipal Auditorium | 18H00 - 20H00 |
| | Pearly Beach | Wed, 24 March 2010 | Pearly Beach Club | 18H00 - 20H00 |
| | Bredasdorp | Thur, 25 March 2010 | Overberg Agri Hall | 18H00 - 20H00 |
| Eastern Cape | Oyster Bay | Tue, 13 April 2010 | Oyster Bay Hall | 18H00 - 20H00 |
| | Humansdorp | Wed, 14 April 2010 | Humansdorp Country Club | 18H00 - 20H00 |
| | St Francis Bay | Thurs, 15 April 2010 | St Francis Links | 18H00 - 20H00 |
| | Sea Vista | Fri, 16 April 2010 | Sea Vista Community Hall | 18H00 - 20H00 |
| Western Cape | Cape Town | Mon, 19 April 2010 | Vineyard Hotel, Newlands | 18H00 - 20H00 |
| | Duynfontein | Tue, 20 April 2010 | Atlantic Beach Golf Club | 18H00 - 20H00 |
| | Atlantis | Wed, 21 April 2010 | Thusong Centre Community Hall | 18H00 - 20H00 |

The purpose of Public Meetings is to provide the public with an opportunity to (a) discuss the findings as they are presented in the Draft EIA Report and (b) comment on the specialist study findings and the outcomes of the EIA. The EIA team will be available from 17h00 to answer individual questions on the Draft EIA Report. Interested and Affected Parties are encouraged to review the Draft EIA Report, attend Public Meetings and submit written comment by **10 May 2010**.

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