

The Local Chapter

A pop-up book group for secondary students from the La Trobe Valley

How do you carry on when loss and grief are continually happening to you and around you? Australian playwright and actor George Kemp confronts this question head-on in his debut novel, *Soft Serve*. He brings to life an ensemble of rich, emotional characters who are navigating life in a small, regional town and whose stories are set against the backdrop of raging bushfires. Stuck in the local Maccas, a group of friends – Fern, Ethan and Jacob – are thrown into a complicated love triangle, even as they mourn their dead friend Taz. Join two book group sessions about Kemp's novel with skilled facilitators from RMIT University. (Please note: the novel contains mature themes - most suitable for senior students)

When:

Tuesdays 4-5 pm
11 & 18 August 2026

Where:

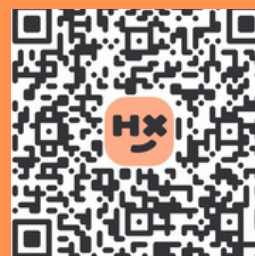
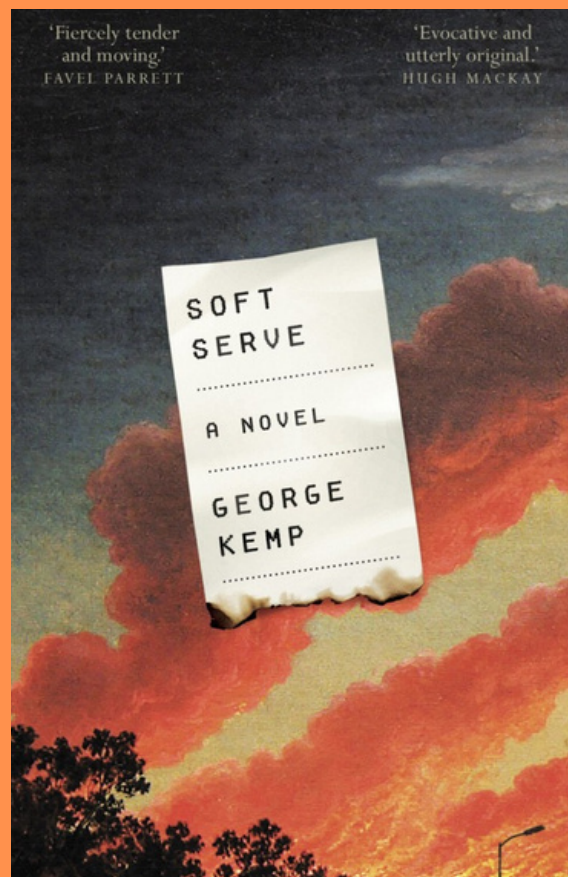
Morwell Library
63-65 Elgin St
Morwell VIC 3840

FREE but places are limited.

Books and snacks provided!

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