

# OUR BOOK CLUB

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## February 2012

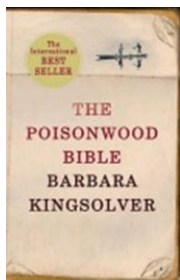
Welcome to the February **OurBookClub** Newsletter! We have spent the wonderful Christmas and New Year break on updating the site, including the [Home Page](#). Now just click on the title to read our Book of the Month review! 2012 is going to be a bumper year for [new book releases](#) and also [movie/tv series adaptations](#) which are going to keep us both very busy.

Remember that books you purchase through our website keep **OurBookClub** going, so as always, thanks for your support and happy reading! – Natalie & Tracy.

### BOOK OF THE MONTH

#### Tracy: **The Poisonwood Bible**

BARBARA KINGSOLVER



Told by the wife and four daughters of Nathan Price, a fierce evangelical Baptist who takes his family and mission to the Belgian Congo in 1959. This is the story of the family's tragic undoing and remarkable reconstruction over the course of three decades in postcolonial Africa. Inspiring for the look at corruption and even though the novel is based in the fifties, in reality little has changed to those that survived and struggle day.

#### Natalie: **Hushed**

KELLEY YORK



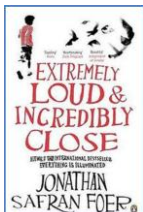
Archer was never able to protect his best friend Vivian from what happened to them as kids, so he's never stopped trying to protect her from everything else since. And this includes compiling a hit list of those who hurt her and systematically killing them. Archer believes this is the only way to set them both free, despite the fact that Vivian constantly uses him. Then along comes Evan who not only shows Archer what it's like to be loved and feel deserved, but also what a toxic mess Vivian is. Can Archer save himself and Evan from Vivian's clutches and earn a chance at redemption, or are Vivian's claws in too deep?

### BOOKS BY THE BED FOR FEBRUARY 2012

#### **Extremely Loud & Incredibly Close**

JONATHAN SAFRAN FOER

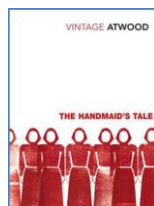
In a vase in a closet, a couple of years after his father died in 9/11, Oskar discovers a key and so begins his quest to find the door it opens.



#### **The Handmaid's Tale**

MARGARET ATWOOD

Offred is a Handmaid in the Republic of Gilead where she has only one function. If she dissents she will die, but even a repressed state cannot obliterate desire.



#### **A Common Loss**

KIRSTEN TRANTER

A group of friends, whose long-time tensions and rivalries are exposed when one of them suddenly dies and appears to be revealing their secrets from beyond the grave. Was he the friend they thought?



#### **I Came to say Goodbye**

CAROLINE OVERINGTON

A woman walks into a hospital at 4am and walks out with a baby tucked into her shopping bag. CCTV captures it all, up until she drives away. But there isn't where the story ends, it's not even where it starts.



### Updates in January 2012

**Literature and Fiction:** The Descendants, The Sense of an Ending, The Understudy, Torn, Looking for Alaska, The Fault in our Stars.

**Bodice Rippers:** The Statistical Probability of Love at First Sight

**Travel:** Shanti Bloody Shanti

**Military and Politics:** Nor the Years Condemn

**Environmental:** Screw Business as Usual

**All Things Out of This World:** Darkness Falls

Also updated for January 2012 is our [Page to Screen](#) section with reviews for movies that we have previously read as books.

At OurBookClub we have also been looking at the upcoming Literary Festival circuit and picking out some of the events we will be attending around the globe. Keep up to date at our [Literary Events](#) page.

### Winners!

#### **We Bought A Zoo**

Thanks to all of you who entered our We Bought A Zoo competition! We have randomly drawn two winners from all those who entered via email, Facebook or Twitter and they are:

**Wendy Green**

&

**Karen Mitchell**

Congratulations to you both! Drop us an email with your postal address and we will get the books in the post asap!

Thanks also to Harper Collins for their generous donation of books to give away!

Stay tuned for more competitions in the future...

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