



Train: a novel
By Pete Dexter

Train is set half a century ago in Los Angeles, where a black teen-ager, nicknamed Train, is a caddie at a swank golf course. The golfers treat Train poorly, with the conspicuous exception of Miller Packard, a cop who recognizes Train's intelligence—and his golfing talent—and eventually enlists him in a golf hustling enterprise. Meanwhile, investigating the murder of a millionaire on a yacht, Packard becomes involved with the victim's beautiful widow, and Train soon moves in with them. Dexter's skill resides in keeping an atmosphere of menace close to the surface at all times, so that the violent collision of the worlds surrounding Packard seems inevitable.

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Hole in One
By Catherine Aird

Detective Chief Inspector (D.C.I.) C. D. Sloan works in the deceptively quiet town and county of Calleshire, where for many years he's endured the pressures of his demanding, unreasonable boss and the company of Constable Crosby, Sloan's all too constant but not very helpful sidekick. He's also solved a series of complex murders in Aird's long-running series long praised for its literate wit, style and charm. In her first new novel in almost two years, *Hole in One*, a death occurs on the links, a death that is nearly impossible and is, quite improbably, is murder. But improbable is a Calleshire specialty and as far as D. C. I. Sloan is concerned, impossible is merely par for the course.

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Murder in the Rough
By J.S. Borthwick

During an especially cold, rainy May, three families move to the recently opened Ocean Tide community on the coast of Maine. Not long after their arrival, a decaying corpse is found lying in the rough of their beautifully manicured golf course—disrupting the idyllic community. When a second body is discovered in a fertilizer shed, just yards away from the seventeenth green, the local authorities are puzzled over the sudden rash of dead bodies and their link to Ocean Tide's newest arrivals. Despite her own misgivings and her husband Alex's warnings, Sarah Deane, an English professor and sometime amateur sleuth, becomes entangled in the investigation. What she uncovers promises to rock the very foundation of the Ocean Tide community. J. S. Borthwick keeps us guessing with another sharp and literate Sarah Deane mystery.

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Final Round
By William Bernhardt

Connor Cross, golf pro/first-time sleuth, is a Peck's bad boy whose antics are threatening to get him kicked out of the Masters tournament at Georgia's snooty Augusta National Golf Club. Cross can't seem to take anything seriously, not even his own game, which is suffering grievously. But when his best friend is found murdered and he's suspected of the crime, Cross takes it very seriously indeed, especially after he learns that the murder weapon was his own nine-iron. He soon teams up with red-haired Lt. Nikki O'Brien of the Augusta P.D., who would rather arrest him than accept his assistance. In the pair's running duel of words, the chemistry Connor and Nikki generate consistently delights.

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Center Cut
By John Corrigan

After narrowly missing his first tournament win at the conclusion of Snap Hook, Jack Austin, Maine native and a professional golfer, has begun a new season in the worst slump of his career. Since he now has a family to support, the slump couldn't come at a worse time. But as Jack battles back to his usual level of play, his friend Grant Ashley faces a more serious problem. Grant's new wife, the young and beautiful Lynne is also abrasive, unpleasant . . . and missing. Her husband is clearly more concerned than he wants to admit, but he refuses to call the police. Jack and his friend Perkins, security consultant to the Tour, are determined to look for the missing woman, but it is an investigation destined to lead to secrets, betrayals, lies, and ultimately murder.

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Downhill Lie: A Hacker's Return to a Ruinous Sport
By Carl Hiaasen

Bestselling author Carl Hiaasen wisely quit golfing in 1973. But some ambitions refuse to die, and as the years passed and the memories of slices and hooks faded, it dawned on Carl that there might be one thing in life he could do better in middle age than he could as a youth. So gradually he ventured back to the rolling, frustrating green hills of the golf course, where he ultimately—and foolishly—agreed to compete in a country-club tournament against players who can actually hit the ball. Filled with harrowing divots, deadly doglegs, and excruciating sandtraps, *The Downhill Lie* is a hilarious chronicle of misadventure that will have you rolling with laughter.

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Murder on the Links

By Agatha Christie

An urgent cry for help brings Hercule Poirot to France, but he arrives too late to save his client, whose brutally stabbed body now lies face downwards in a shallow grave on a golf course. But why is the dead man wearing his son's overcoat? And who was the impassioned love letter in the pocket for? Before Poirot can answer these questions, the case is turned upside down by the discovery of a second, identically murdered corpse.

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Back Spin

By Harlan Coben

Kidnappers have snatched the teenage son of super-star golfer Linda Coldren and her husband, Jack, an aging pro, at the height of the U.S. Open. To help get the boy back, sports agent Myron Bolitar goes charging after clues and suspects from the Main Line mansions to a downtown cheaters' motel—and back in time to a U.S. Open twenty-three years ago, when Jack Coldren should have won, but didn't. Suddenly Myron finds him self surrounded by blue bloods, criminals, and liars. And as one family's darkest secrets explode into murder, Myron finds out just how rough this game can get.

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Laid Dead

By Barry Cork

This elaborately plotted English golfing mystery will keep the reader, lucky duffer, guessing right up to the end--not as to the identity of the villain but as to his motive. Cork gives his series hero, Inspector Angus Straun, bestselling author, golfing ace and Maserati fancier, a number of intriguing puzzles to solve. It all starts when Straun's ex-wife asks him to rescue her extremely rich Dutch amour, Dirk Jager, from the clutches of Freddy Wong, a Chinese-American con man. Wong turns out to be an entertaining scamp while Jager seems to be a nasty piece of work. Did Jager murder a golfing partner who appeared to have stepped into his backswing? Why was the pro shop of their golf course so thoroughly cleaned out by burglars? And why did the pro disappear? The reader should keep an eye on the ball, which is that the victim of a scam almost inevitably has larceny in his or her heart.

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~ Dave Barry

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~ Mark Twain

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~ John Updike