

# Adult Non-Fiction Rights Guide Autumn 2021



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HIGHLIGHT

## How to Save the Amazon (Ask the People Who Know) Dom Phillips



April 2023  
320pp, HB

### World Rights

**Editor:**  
Margaret Stead

**Material Available:**  
Sample material available

**Translation Rights:**  
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***The Book of Trespass* meets *The Uninhabitable Earth* as Dom Phillips journeys deep into the Amazon to show us this most wondrous place on Earth, in all its vibrant, fragile, radiant glory.**

The Amazon. Accounting for over half of the world's rainforests, it is a place of abundant biodiversity, a vibrant ecosystem of forests, rivers and towns full of life, that is home to 20 million people and richly diverse cultures. Yet rising carbon emissions and deforestation is driving these precious lungs of the planet towards the point where it will no longer produce enough rainfall to sustain itself, the effect of which will impact us all.

*How to Save the Amazon* is part travelogue, part guidebook out of environmental despair, as Dom Phillips takes us to the heart of this great wonder of our planet, showing us the myriad of peoples it sustains, and the many ways in which we can avert the collapse of this incredible ecosystem.

DOM PHILLIPS has lived in Brazil for 14 years, visiting and reporting on the Amazon. He has seen at first hand the devastation wreaked upon the Amazon. But he has also witnessed the many efforts being made to avert that destruction, from encouraging the farming of sustainable foods to giving riverside communities the resources and knowledge to protect and maintain their unique ways of life.

## Age Proof

### The New Science of Living a Longer and Healthier Life

Professor Rose Anne Kenny



PROFESSOR ROSE ANNE KENNY

January 2022  
304 pp, HB

#### World Rights

**Editor:**  
Michelle Signore

**Material Available:**  
PDF Available

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China (CTPH)  
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**TV & Film Rights:**  
A. M. Heath

**One of the world's leading scientists on ageing delivers a revealing and entertaining account of what ageing is and how we can tackle its more serious side effects.**

We all age. But why do some of us live longer than others? Why do we all live twice as long today as our ancestors did 200 years ago? And what does the latest science teach us that will help us not only live longer lives, but also to live fitter, healthier and happier lives, deep into our later years?

Professor Rose Anne Kenny has 35 years of experience right at the top of ageing medicine and is at the forefront of scientific research into the subject. *Age Proof* takes Professor Kenny's ground-breaking research and reveals why and how some people have a lower biological age (how our body looks and feels) than chronological age (the number), and the role played by food, genetics, sex, physical exercise, cold water, childhood experiences, expectations, friendships, inequality and much more.

From the nuns who lived into their nineties to the septuagenarians taking up sport for the first time, via the revealing, if unlikely friendship of Jojo the monkey and Alan the cat, and the existence of 'Blue Zones' (areas of the world where inhabitants live longer), Professor Kenny's work lifts the lid on the importance of family, friends, laughter and good sleep and emphasises that we all are just as young as we feel.

Professor ROSE ANNE KENNY is an award-winning physician and researcher who and has been Head of the academic department of Medical Gerontology at Trinity College Dublin since 2006. She is the founding Principal Investigator of The Irish Longitudinal study on Ageing (TILDA).

Prof Kenny has published over 600 scientific publications to date and was admitted as a Member of the Royal Irish Academy (M.R.I.A) in 2014 – Ireland's highest recognition for scientific excellence.

She recently received a Lifetime Achievement Award for her research on ageing at the world congress in Kuala Lumpur 2019. She was voted a Health Hero by *The Irish Times* in 2018; won the Trinity Innovation Award in 2017 and was elected President of the Irish Geriatrics Society in 2020.

## Bear, Lion or Wolf?

### How Understanding Your Sleep-type Could Change Your Life

Olivia Arezzolo



December 2021  
336 pp, PB

#### World Rights

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Michelle Signore

**Material Available:**  
MS available

**Translation Rights:**  
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SoloSon Media

**The only book on sleep you'll ever need! Learn your sleep profile and understand your body clock morning, noon and night with sleep expert Olivia Arezzolo.**

Are you a bear, lion or wolf? Learn your sleep profile and get your best night's rest with Australia's leading sleep expert Olivia Arezzolo

**Lion:** you are an early riser, furiously working in the morning, tailing off after midday and going to bed just as the wolves are coming out to play.

**Wolf:** you get up late and are more energetic at night.

**Bear:** you rise with the sun and wind down in the evening, and tend to dip immediately after lunch!

Do you struggle to fall asleep, stay asleep or find yourself exhausted during the day? Olivia's straightforward, science-based tips will enable you to get the sleep you really need – not only will you sleep better, you'll be more productive, less stressed and able to function at your absolute best.

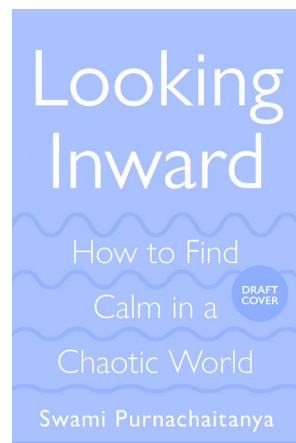
Whether you're an early-rising lion, ready to tackle the day before the rest of the herd is up; a hardworking bear who always slumps around 3pm; or a night-loving wolf, who seems to have more energy as the day goes on, Olivia has the exact tips and tricks you need to sleep properly – so that you can live your best life.

OLIVIA AREZZOLO is a sleep expert. Her primary mission is to improve the lives of others from inside and out. Through rapid transformation of her private clients, she has evidence sleep is the vehicle to achieve it. After 9 years of study, Olivia's qualifications include a Bachelor of Social Science, Certificate of Sleep Psychology and Diploma of Health Science (Nutritional Medicine). She lives in Australia.

## Looking Inward

### How to Find Calm in a Chaotic World

Swami Purnachaitanya



April 2022  
176pp, HB

**World English (excl. India)**

**Editor:**  
Michelle Signore

**Material Available:**  
PDF Available

**US Rights:**  
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**Translation Rights:**  
Ana Jorata Agency

**A beautiful and timely guide to finding inner peace by yogi and meditation coach Swami Purnachaitanya.**

Let Swami Purnachaitanya guide you on your personal journey towards finding the root cause of your anxiety, stress and restlessness, using meditation to collect distracted thoughts, soothe the senses and refocus your energy to being present in the moment.

The world we live in is rapidly changing, from global warming and a pandemic at a macro level, to changing lifestyles, fake news and stress at a micro level. The ramifications of these events affect our health, productivity and, most importantly, leave a lasting impact on our inner peace. *Looking Inward* will help the reader to understand their own mind, be better equipped to transcend difficulties, and to access the true source of peace, happiness and support from within.

Blending wisdom, anecdotes and practical interactive exercises, Swami Purnachaitanya takes the reader on a step-by-step journey towards inner peace and happiness.

SWAMI PURNACHAITANYA is an author, speaker, and spiritual guide to many around the world. He is a sought-after teacher of yoga, meditation and mantras, Vedic wisdom, and an enthralling storyteller. Swamiji was born in the Netherlands to a Dutch father and an Indian mother. The defining moment in his life came at the age of sixteen, when he met Gurudev Sri Sri Ravi Shankar, global spiritual leader and founder of the Art of Living, in whom he recognized his spiritual Master. After completing a university degree in Indology, he left the Netherlands and moved to The Art of Living International Centre in Bangalore, India. He received his title (swami, monk) from Sri Sri Ravi Shankar as an acknowledgement of his high state of consciousness. He is currently Director of Programs for the Art of Living.

## Ugly

### Why The U-Word Has Defined Us For So Long and How To Break Free

Anita Bhagwandas



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304 pp, HB

**World Rights**

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Susannah Otter

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**US Rights:**  
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Conville & Walsh

**Why are our lives shaped by such limited ideas about beauty? How can we break free of them for a happier, more inclusive future?**

We've all had those moments. The ones where you look in the mirror and nothing feels OK looking back at you. For Anita Bhagwandas, this started when she was a child, and it created an enduring internal torment about her looks.

We're all told that this sadness is just part of 'being a woman'. We're encouraged to obsess over it and go to any length to change it, but we're also ordered to 'just love ourselves' from every corner of the internet. What if there was another way out of the beauty myth?

In *Ugly*, Anita uncovers where these beauty standards started, unpicks why they've been perpetuated and unmasks how they're still being upheld.

It is time to finally break free from those limiting beauty standards, because feeling ugly has *nothing* to do with us.

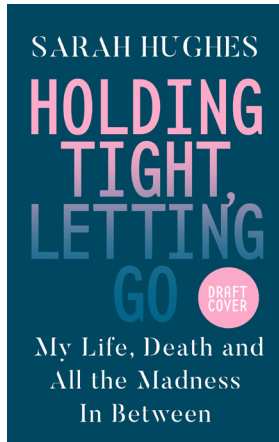
ANITA BHAGWANDAS is a multi-award-winning journalist, social commentator, broadcaster, diversity advocate and Beauty Director with over 10 years' experience working for the top women's titles such as *Women's Health*, *Marie Claire* and most recently the much-loved *Stylist* magazine.



## Holding Tight, Letting Go

### My Life, Death and All the Madness In Between

Sarah Hughes



March 2022  
256 pp, HB

**World Rights**

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Michelle Signore

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MS available late October

**Translation Rights:**  
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**US Rights:**  
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**TV and Film Rights:**  
David Higham

**What is it like to know you are going to die? And, more importantly, what can that teach you about how to live?**

*'Too often we minimise the reality of terminal cancer, concentrating instead on survival records and talking only in positive pink ribbon terms. But what of those who live daily with the shadow of the disease?'*

*This is a book about how that feels. It is about how to die as much as about to how to live; yet it is also life-affirming, funny and shot through with hope.'*

Life is full of small details that we tuck away somewhere to revisit later on when we need them most: the calming sound of the sea, that childlike joy when you feel the sun hit your face on an early February morning. The small details which, knitted together, make up an ordinary life. Few understood the importance of these more than Sarah Hughes, who lived with terminal metastatic cancer for over three years and who sadly passed away in April 2021.

This book is a celebration of everything that can make up a life, and how to hold it all close: cherish the perspective-changing, exhale-bringing perspective of a trashy novel; learn the upside of chemo (finally being able to fit into flippy french tea dresses); explore the intimate topography of a body that's yours and yours alone.

For fans of Matt Haig and Maggie O'Farrell, this is a tender word-of-mouth bestseller: the sort of book you'll press on your friends, family and a stranger in a bookshop.

SARAH HUGHES was a London-based journalist who regularly contributed to a variety of publications including the *Guardian*, the *Independent*, the *Independent on Sunday*, the *Observer* and *Metro*. She specialised in entertainment writing with a particular emphasis on television and was responsible for the *Guardian's* hugely successful Game of Thrones blog. She also had considerable experience in lifestyle journalism, writing regularly for the *Guardian's* women's pages and the *Observer* news desk.

## There's No Such Thing as Naughty

### The Primary School Years

Kate Silverton



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**Bestselling parenting author and TV journalist, Kate Silverton, shares the secrets of how to communicate with your school-age child in this revolutionary, practical guide.**

Do you want to know how to help your child with their transition to school? How to communicate with them, support them and build their resilience in the face of this huge change to their life and routine?

*Sunday Times* bestselling author and qualified child counsellor, Kate Silverton, is here to guide you through these exciting but testing times.

Kate will show you how to understand the development of your child's brain at this crucial time, foster their empathy, connect with them, and ensure they retain their sense of self. While her advice has its basis in science, what she offers is a practical, simple toolkit for all parents who want to build a trusting, warm and caring relationship with their child and ensure that they grow up secure, happy and calm.

**Kate's first book, *There's No Such Thing as Naughty*, was a *Sunday Times* No 1 bestseller and, to date, has sold 20,000 copies TCM.**

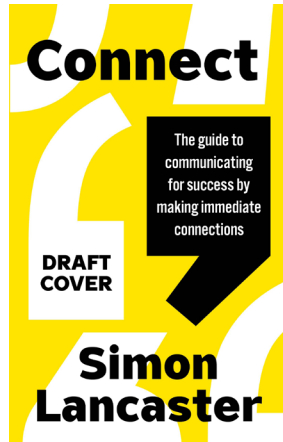
KATE SILVERTON is one of the BBC's main national news presenters. She has produced and presented numerous documentaries, including for *Panorama* and has reported from the frontlines in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Kate's academic roots are in child development, with a BSc in Psychology; she has worked for more than a decade in children's mental health, ultimately retraining as a children's counsellor with the children's mental health charity, Place2Be. She supports charities like the Anna Freud National Centre for Children and Families, The NHS Maudsley Foundation Trust, as well as the NSPCC and their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge's Royal Foundation.

## Connect!

### How to Inspire, Influence and Energise Anyone, Anytime, Anywhere

Simon Lancaster



June 2022  
288pp, TPB

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Rik Ubhi

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**US Rights:**  
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**TV & Film Rights:**  
Felicity Bryan Associates

**A brand-new guide to communicating for success by making immediate and indelible connections: it's *How to Win Friends and Influence People* crossed with *Talk Like Ted***

Why do some people radiate energy when they speak whilst others fizzle out before they've even begun? How do some writers make our hearts race whilst others make us feel like closing the book? Why are some work colleagues seemingly more influential, or funnier, than others?

Top speechwriter Simon Lancaster explains that the secret of brilliant communication is all about making connections. Whether in speech or in writing, at a networking event or in an email, at work or at home, the best communicators find ways of connecting with their audiences. More than that, they are able to connect the personal with the universal, the past with the present, the abstract with the everyday, the visual with the verbal, the moral with the mundane. Like hot-wiring a car, connections are able to bypass logic and access our deepest instincts and emotions, generating an instant neurological reaction.

*Connect!* reveals the secret art of making connections in eleven engaging, revelatory chapters. It blends cutting-edge neuroscience with ancient rhetoric and wonderfully shareable examples from popular culture; and it incorporates exercises to help work your own creative muscles, so you can become quicker at making connections and finding your own stories, metaphors, analogies and jokes. If you want more sparkle when you speak, more power when you present, more wow when you write, then this book will show you the skills to connect with anyone about anything, anytime and anywhere.

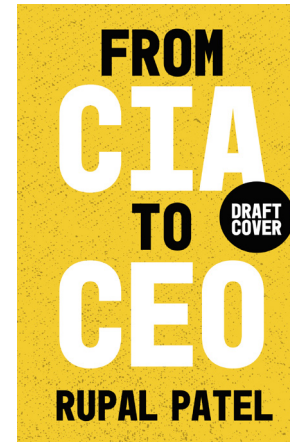
SIMON LANCASTER first started writing speeches in the late 1990s for members of Tony Blair's Cabinet. He has since gone on to write speeches for the CEOs of some of the world's biggest companies. He is an Executive Fellow of Henley Business School and lectures on Creative Writing at the University of Cambridge.

Simon regularly appears on BBC and Sky News discussing speeches and has written articles for the *Guardian*, *Daily Mail*, *Spectator*, *Prospect* and *GQ*. He frequently makes keynote speeches at major conferences around the world and his social media videos attract hundreds of thousands of views. His 2016 TEDx Talk 'Speak like a Leader' has had more than three million views.

## From CIA to CEO

### Unconventional Life Lessons for Thinking Bigger, Leading Better and Being Bolder

Rupal Patel



June 2022  
224 pp, TPB

#### World Rights

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Rik Ubhi

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**Translation Rights:**  
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**US Rights:**  
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**TV & Film Rights:**  
Bravo Blue Ltd

**An operations manual for entrepreneurs that reveals how the esoteric techniques of the CIA can help anyone find their voice, discover their potential, and thrive in the world of business.**

Agent-turned-entrepreneur Rupal Patel draws on the unique skills she developed as a female field agent in the high-octane, alpha-male world of the CIA, and combines those insights with her experience as a business leader and mentor. We learn how methods such as Profiling and Situational Awareness help amplify strengths and build resilience. How game-changing new frameworks like Identity Driven Leadership and Personal Energy Mapping instil drive, purpose and conviction. And how the CIA mindset will encourage you to remake the rules to find your path and reach your goals.

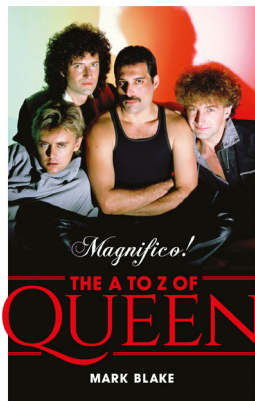
Full of motivating stories and unique exercises, *From CIA to CEO* will furnish you with the tools for achieving Mission Success.

The daughter of Indian immigrants, RUPAL PATEL is a New Yorker now living near London. Her unconventional career as a CIA analyst and successful entrepreneur has taken her from the jungles of Colombia and war zones in Afghanistan to the gilded halls of NATO and Capitol Hill.

## Magnifico!

### The A to Z of Queen

Mark Blake



October 2021  
384 pp, HB

#### World Rights

**Editor:**  
Pete Selby

**Material Available:**  
Final PDF Available

**Translation Rights:**  
Germany (Hannibal)  
Hungary (Alexandra)  
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**US Rights:**  
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**TV & Film Rights:**  
Matthew Hamilton

A unique 'A to Z' biography from music journalist and Queen biographer Mark Blake that will shed new light on the story of the biggest rock band of all time.

The story of Queen is rich with anecdotes, trivia, humour and tragedy - accompanied by some of the best-known songs of all time. In this revealing profile, acclaimed biographer Mark Blake uses a unique 'A to Z' approach to shed new light on the legendary band. With every entry aiming to celebrate, inform, entertain or amuse, Blake's complete portrait covers not only the major hits and bestselling albums, but also the inside stories behind the music.

Via a series of essays, lists and mini biographies, the author shares a wealth of lesser-known details - gained from over thirty years of original interviews - and explores what the songs of Queen say about their creators. The book's format also allows it to take fascinating tangents, charting the places, characters and events that, often inadvertently, played a part in shaping the band and informing its music.

Elsewhere, entries offer light-hearted trivia - from a list of LPs the band was listening to in 1970 to tales of the fifteen Jimi Hendrix gigs Freddie Mercury hitch-hiked around the UK to attend - as well as serious analysis, including the truth behind Mercury's funeral, which was effectively controlled by Queen's management, and a reflection on the ways in which the flamboyant frontman confronted the twentieth century's sexual mores and prejudices.

Addressing the phenomenal success of the film *Bohemian Rhapsody*, while challenging the fictionalised account it sold to cinemagoers, Blake builds on the band's enduring audience appeal in order to provide a fresh and unparalleled take on Queen's music, story and legacy.

MARK BLAKE is an acclaimed music journalist and author. Former assistant editor of *Q* magazine and long-time contributor to *Mojo*, Blake has written for many high-profile publications including *Rolling Stone* and *Billboard*. Among his previous books are the bestselling *Pigs Might Fly: The Inside Story of Pink Floyd* and *Bring It On Home: Peter Grant, Led Zeppelin and Beyond*, which was listed as a 'Music Book of the Year' by *The Times*, the *Sunday Times*, the *Daily Mail* and the *Daily Telegraph*. Blake has edited and contributed to titles about Freddie Mercury, Keith Richards and punk music. He has also worked on official projects for Queen, Pink Floyd, the Who and the Jimi Hendrix estate.

## The Stone Age

### Sixty Years of the Rolling Stones

Lesley-Ann Jones



June 2022, 368pp, HB

#### World Rights

**Editor:**  
James Hodgkinson

**Material Available:**  
MS available January 2022

**Translation Rights Sold:**  
Germany (Piper)  
Poland (Zysk)  
Spain (Planeta)

**Option publishers:**  
Brazil (Rocco), Bulgaria (Colibri), China (United Sky), Croatia (Rock), Czech Republic (Leda), Estonia (Sinisukk), Finland (Aula), France (Leduc), Hungary (Kossuth), Italy (Sperling & Kupfer), Japan (Yamaha), Romania (Publica), Russia (Eksmo), Slovenia (Učila), Spain (Planeta), Taiwan (Business Weekly)

**US Rights Sold:** Pegasus

Good, bad and often ugly, here are the Rolling Stones as never before.

On 12 July 1962, the Rollin' Stones performed their first-ever gig at London's Marquee jazz club. Down the line, a 'g' was added, a spark was lit and their destiny was sealed. No going back.

These five white British kids set out to play the music of black America. They honed a style that bled bluesy undertones into dark insinuations of women, sex and drugs. Denounced as 'corruptors of youth' and 'messengers of the devil', they created some of the most thrilling music ever recorded.

Now, with a combined age of over three hundred, their sound and attitude seem louder and more influential than ever. Elvis is dead and the Beatles are over, but Jagger and Richards bestride the world. The Stones may be gathering moss, but on they roll.

Yet how did the ultimate anti-establishment misfits become the global brand we know today? Who were the casualties, and what are the forgotten legacies? Can the artist ever be truly divisible from the art?

Lesley-Ann Jones's new history tracks this contradictory, disturbing, granitic and unstoppable band through hope, glory and exile, into the juggernaut years and beyond into rock's ongoing reckoning... where the Stones seem more at odds than ever with the values and heritage against which they have always rebelled.

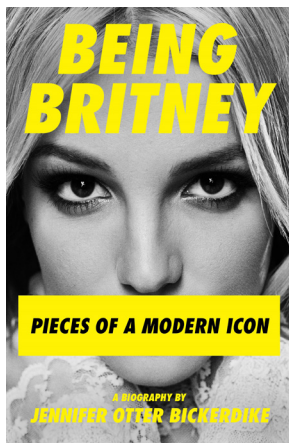
LESLEY-ANN JONES is an acclaimed biographer, novelist, broadcaster and keynote speaker. She honed her craft on Fleet Street, as a newspaper journalist. She is the bestselling author of *Bohemian Rhapsody: The Definitive Biography of Freddie Mercury*, *Hero: David Bowie*, and *Ride a White Swan: The Lives & Deaths of Marc Bolan*. A childhood friend of David Bowie, Lesley-Ann has interviewed many of the world's best-loved artists, including Paul McCartney, Madonna and Prince, often forming lifelong friendships with her subjects. She is a mother of three and lives in London.



## Being Britney

### Pieces of a Modern Icon

Jennifer Otter Bickerdike



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Pete Selby

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PDF Available

**Translation Rights:**

The Hamilton Agency

**US Rights:**

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**TV & Film Rights:**

The Hamilton Agency

**A timely and unique portrait re-examining the prolific career, highly publicised life and continued cultural relevance of pop princess Britney Spears.**

With her canon of best-selling singles, electrifying stage performances and iconic music videos, Britney Spears is undoubtedly a modern pop superstar. But her story has long been clouded by society's dark obsession with beauty, youth and fame – a relentless glare that has threatened to eclipse her musical success.

A mother, an entrepreneur; a victim, a fighter; an entertainer, an enigma – Britney's life is as multi-faceted as the very contradictions, pressures and expectations that helped create her. Yet, beyond the eye-catching headlines and front-page fodder, an almost indecipherable question remains: who is the real Britney?

Part biography, part social history, *Being Britney* pieces together a collage of vignettes, stories, interviews, legends and fan experiences to construct a definitive portrait of the artist and her complex, far-reaching orbit. Written by acclaimed music author Jennifer Otter Bickerdike, this unique narrative is the first to provide a sympathetic yet objective re-examination of Britney's cultural impact in the wake of major collective shifts around feminism, celebrity and mental health.

Despite her career spanning five presidents, multiple creative reinventions and over 100 million album sales, Britney's ability to come back again and again from highly publicised personal adversity has rarely been acknowledged. However, her successes keep stacking up and her relevance seems to grow with each passing year, culminating in a game-changing Las Vegas residency, a shocking conservatorship battle and a powerful #FreeBritney support campaign.

*Being Britney* is the compelling account of a talented, troubled and talked-about modern icon, whose life, work and individual significance will be recognised for many years to come.

DR JENNIFER OTTER BICKERDICKE has thirty years' experience as a music industry executive in the US. An academic, writer, presenter and historian, she has authored several books on the topics of pop, rock, fandom and celebrity, most recently 2021's *You Are Beautiful and You Are Alone: The Biography of Nico* and 2017's number-one bestseller *Why Vinyl Matters: A Manifesto from Musicians and Fans*. Jennifer is the global music ambassador for the British and Irish Modern Music Institute, co-creator of the *Songs That Saved Your Life* podcast and co-founder of Moving the Needle – a non-profit organisation that supports women in the UK music industry through their careers.

## Soul Survivor

### The Autobiography

PP Arnold



June 2022  
368 pp, HB

**World English**

**Editor:**

Pete Selby

**Material Available:**

MS available October 2021

**Translation Rights:**

Redfire Music

**US Rights:**

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**TV & Film Rights:**

Redfire Music

**A compelling memoir by soul legend PP Arnold, charting the musical highs and personal lows of her extraordinary life.**

PP Arnold's story is that of a rich and varied life. From her early musical origins in powerhouse church gospel, the talented singer's career began when she joined the Ike & Tina Turner Revue at the age of just seventeen. But little did the young Ikette know how much her world was about to be turned upside-down...

Upon arriving in London in 1966 to support the Rolling Stones, the shy but vivacious nineteen-year-old caught the eye of the frontman Mick Jagger. He would persuade her to stay in the city and record as a solo artist, ultimately leading to a five-decade career working with everyone from Jagger, Rod Stewart, the Small Faces, Eric Clapton and Nick Drake to Barry Gibb, Peter Gabriel, Roger Waters, the KLF, Paul Weller and Primal Scream.

However, it has been far from a gilded life for the musical star, who, after being forced into marriage at the age of fifteen upon becoming pregnant, went on to endure a string of personal traumas, including physical abuse from her husband, sexual abuse at the hands of her one-time musical mentor and, later, the tragic loss of her young daughter in a road accident.

Yet the legendary musician survived it all and has continued to reinvent herself through the years, be that as a West End musical actress, as a much-sought-after backing singer or as a renowned pop and soul star in her own right.

Now, for the first time, she is telling her remarkable story. This is the long-awaited memoir of a true soul survivor.

PP ARNOLD (born Patricia Ann Cole) is an American soul singer who has enjoyed continued success in the music industry since coming to fame in the mid-'60s.

## Bee Gees

### Children of the World

Bob Stanley



October 2022  
352pp, HB

#### Translation Rights

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Pete Selby

**Material Available:**  
MS available February 2022

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**US Rights:**  
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**TV & Film Rights:**  
David Godwin Associates

**A compelling and unique biography of one of the best-selling bands of all time, told with synapse-rattling insight by a renowned pop scholar.**

The world is full of Bee Gees fans. Yet, for a band of such renown, little is known about Barry, Maurice and Robin Gibb. Weren't two of them twins? Did one of them marry Lulu? Where does Andy fit into the Gibb family tree? Why did they storm out of that Clive Anderson interview?

People tend to have their favourite era of the Bee Gees' career, but many listeners are also conscious that there is more to uncover about the band. This book will provide the perfect route in, pulling together every fascinating strand to tell the story of a group with the imagination of the Beatles, the pop craft of ABBA, the drama of Fleetwood Mac and the emotional heft of the Beach Boys.

Uniquely, the Bee Gees' tale spans the entire modern pop era - they are the only group to have scored British top-ten singles in the '60s, '70s, '80s and '90s - and includes world-conquering disco successes like 'Stayin' Alive' and 'More Than a Woman', both from the soundtrack of hit film *Saturday Night Fever*.

But the Bee Gees' extraordinary career was one of highs and lows. From a vicious but temporary split in 1969 to several unreleased albums, disastrous TV and film appearances, and a demoralising cabaret season, the group weren't always revelling in the glow of million-selling albums, private jets and UNICEF concerts. Yet, even in the Gibbs' darkest times, their music was rarely out of the charts, as sung by the likes of Al Green, Kenny Rogers and Dolly Parton, and Destiny's Child.

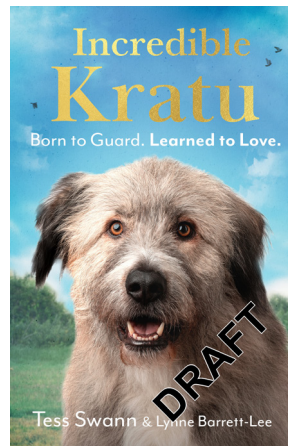
Capturing the human story at the heart of the Bee Gees, this book will be a lyrical and stylish read, delighting hardcore fans with its details while engaging casual pop readers who simply want to know more about this important and enigmatic group.

BOB STANLEY is a musician, journalist, author, film producer and pop historian. He is a member of the group Saint Etienne, which he co-founded in 1990, and has also enjoyed success as a music journalist, writing for the *NME*, *Melody Maker*, *Mojo*, the *Guardian* and *The Times*. He is a regular contributor to TV music documentaries, most notably for the BBC and Sky Arts, and has a parallel career as a DJ, producer of record labels and compilation archivist. In 2013, Stanley's second publication, *Yeah Yeah Yeah: The Story of Modern Pop*, was a best-selling title on both sides of the Atlantic. In 2021, his biography of the Fall (with Tessa Norton) was published to widespread critical acclaim. Bob has joined Nine Eight for a three-book deal.

## Incredible Kratu

### Born to Guard. Learned to Love

Tess Swan with Lynne Barrett-Lee



March 2022  
304 pp, HB

#### World Rights

**Editor:**  
Ellie Carr

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MS available November

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Andrew Lownie

**The incredible, true story of the dog who became a global superstar.**

By the time she was in her twenties, Tess Swan had moved into a squat and become addicted to heroin. Unable to maintain social relationships, and suffering terrible mental and physical health, she gave birth to two children she couldn't care for. After later being diagnosed with Hepatitis C and the total collapse of her relationship with her daughter, Tess was at rock bottom.

Enter Kratu, Tess's unexpected canine saviour who changed her life. Born on the streets of Romania, Kratu was destined for a life of hardship, that was until Tess decided to adopt him and bring him home. Together they have gone on to achieve amazing things, overcoming multiple obstacles, bringing joy to each other and everyone they meet. Tess's determination and Kratu's lovable energy have warmed the hearts of many, including the crowds of Crufts, where Kratu was a runaway success.

*Incredible Kratu* is the inspirational true story of this unlikely pair, who in each other found the support they needed to beat the odds and continue their journey together, turning both of their lives around for good.

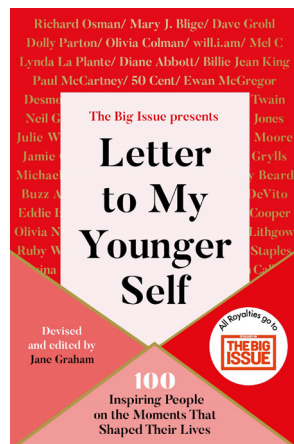
TESS EAGLE SWAN grew up as a solitary child who found it difficult to relate to people. At the age of 54, Tess was formally diagnosed with ASD (Autistic Spectrum Disorder). This was life-changing - helping her finally make sense of her drug use, her impulsiveness, and her troubles in forming meaningful relationships, including those with her children. It was her relationship with Kratu that impelled her on her road to self-discovery, and for the first time in her life she started to feel worthwhile. For the past nine years, Tess has devoted her life to making changes; in raising awareness of animal welfare issues and autism-related causes. She also supports the cross parliamentary group APDAWG. Now a dedicated dog welfare advocate and rescue dog ambassador, she also continues to train her five dogs, and, along with Kratu (now her official Assistance Dog), does therapy work at the local primary school.



# Letter to My Younger Self

## Book 2

The Big Issue & Jane Graham



### COVER OF PREVIOUS BOOK

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From *The Big Issue's* popular section, this collection features 50 remarkable women writing letters to their younger selves.

If you could write a letter to your younger self, what would it say?

*Letter to My Younger Self* is back with another incredible selection of letters from well-known figures. In this edition, interviewer Jane Graham asks one simple question to a wide range of women from the worlds of entertainment, politics, food, sport, literature and business.

This collection of 50 of the most moving, inspiring and honest letters includes Fearne Cotton on battling imposter syndrome, Billie Piper on feeling burnt out, Dame Kelly Holmes on not giving up, Nancy Sinatra on marrying young and so much more.

*Letter to My Younger Self* gives a powerful insight into the wisdom that age brings and how you can use this knowledge to shape your future.

ALL ROYALTIES FROM SALES OF THIS BOOK GO TO *THE BIG ISSUE*.

THE BIG ISSUE is an award-winning magazine offering employment opportunities to people in poverty by giving them a share of the profits from sales. Launched in 1991, the magazine has now sold over 200 million copies. The company also has an investment arm, Big Issue Invest, which finances the growth of sustainable social enterprises and charities across the UK, and an independently funded registered charity, The Big Issue Foundation, which addresses the fundamental issues attached to social and financial exclusion. For over 25 years, The Big Issue Group has strived to dismantle poverty through creating opportunity, and in the process has become one of the most recognized and trusted brands in the UK.

JANE GRAHAM is the books editor of *The Big Issue*. She has worked as a producer / documentary maker for BBC Radios 1, 3, 4 and Radio Ulster. As a writer and broadcaster she has contributed to the BBC, the *Guardian*, *Uncut* and *The LA Review of Books* among many others. She has been conducting interviews for *The Big Issue's Letter to my Younger Self* since its inception in 2007.

# Kindness

## A User's Guide

Ali Catterall and Kitty Collins



July 2021  
160 pp, HB

### World Rights

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Final PDF

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Greece (Psichogios)

**US Rights:**  
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The definitive guide to kindness - a book full of inspirational ideas, quotes and famous acts of kindness.

"If you see someone without a smile today, give 'em yours."  
Dolly Parton

This empowering guide to kindness will inspire you to make a real difference to the lives of the people around you. It contains a carefully curated collection of acts of kindness you can perform, quotes about kindness to get you thinking, and famous acts of kindness that will amaze you, from Chadwick Boseman's generosity to Marcus Rashford's determination to support underprivileged children.

The perfect gift, for yourself or for a friend - because kind is cool.

ALI CATTERALL is an award-winning journalist, filmmaker and editor, who has written for the *Guardian*, *Time Out* and *GQ*, among others. In 2001, he co-authored the critically acclaimed *Your Face Here: British Cult Movies Since the Sixties* and in 2018 edited *Scala Cinema 1978-1993* by Jane Giles, winner of the 2019 Kraszna-Krausz Award. He is currently co-directing a BFI-produced feature documentary about the Scala, and working on a memoir about his childhood.

KITTY COLLINS (not her real name) works in publishing. In her spare time, Kitty loves to read, watch movies and reality TV and devour all things Popular Culture. Kitty is an avid Foodie, and has written two food and drink titles under pseudonyms. Kitty lives in Kent with a decrepit cat and 300 pairs of shoes.

## The Little Book of Bridgerton

### Flawlessly Unofficial, My Dear

Charlotte Browne



June 2021  
240 pp, HB

#### World Rights

**Editor:**  
Beth Eynon

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**US Rights Sold:**  
Weldon Owen

For superfans of Netflix's hit show and Julia Quinn's bestselling books, or anyone needing a little more romance in their life.

Craving more of the ton? Desperate to become the finest rake in town? Need help on how to swoon in style? Allow *The Little Book of Bridgerton* to act as your guide through the tumultuous life of the debutante.

Revel in finding out just **Which Bridgerton Character You Are**.

Be shown the charm of **A Bridgerton Childhood**, or **How To Become A Diamond of the First Water**.

Learn **How To Impress The Ton** with regency dance and take a walk and **Visit to the Modiste** for up-to-date regency fashion.

Quiz your family and friends on **Marriage Manners** and **If You Can Keep A Secret From Lady Whistledown**.

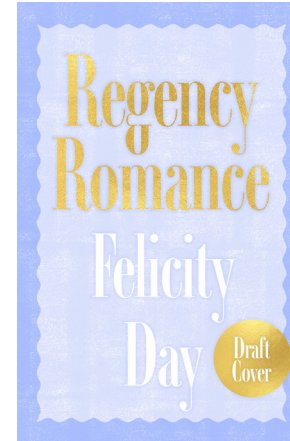
And play a tough game of **Rakes and Ladders** to see who reaches the very top of the social hierarchy first.

Full of quizzes, activities and bite-sized nibbles of Regency history, the world of Bridgerton is laid fully bare...

CHARLOTTE BROWNE has worked as a journalist for a number of publications from *Independent* to *Prima*. She has also written for a variety of organisations within the non-profit and charity sector and is the co-author of numerous books for both adults and children.

## Regency Romance

### Felicity Day



September 2022  
304 pp, HB

#### Translation Rights

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Ellie Carr

**Material Available:**  
MS available early 2022

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**US Rights:**  
Diamond Kahn & Woods

**TV & Film Rights:**  
Diamond Kahn & Woods

Get a glimpse behind the drawing room doors of Regency high society at the lives of real women who inspired the stories of Jane Austen and *Bridgerton*

Each and every January they came, with baggage-laden coaches, back to their houses in town. Woken from a wintertime slumber were the streets and squares of London's West End, suddenly echoing once more with the rumble of carriage wheels and coal-wagons; the steady beating of brass door knockers and the shouts of servants. Inside tall narrow townhouses and mansions more like private palaces, holland covers were cast off, shutters flung open, and preparations begun in earnest for the annual social whirl that was the Regency season...

The Regency period in Britain has long been glamorised as a blur of glitz and glamour with the women of the period being fondly remembered for their wide gowns and big hair topped with feathers, but who were these women and what was it like to live and love in this age of elegance?

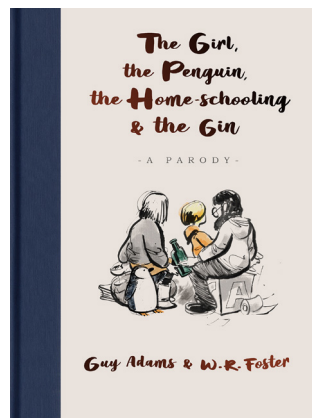
*Regency Romance* allows the reader a glimpse behind the drawing room doors of high society, charting the lives of the women who filled them. True tales of rakish husbands, runaway lovers and rich heiresses; candid insights into the competitive world of the so-called marriage mart; and plentiful examples of the pitfalls of pursuing a brilliant match, reveal what courtship and married life was really like for Regency women.

FELICITY DAY began to write magazine features that allowed her to indulge her passion for history, and the life and times of Jane Austen in particular, in 2017. Her first piece appeared in *Jane Austen's Regency World* and since then she has written about British history and heritage for a whole range of publications, from *The Telegraph*, the *Mail on Sunday's YOU Magazine* and *Country Life*, to specialist history titles such as the BBC's *Who Do You Think You Are?* and *History Revealed*. An aficionado of the works of Austen, Georgette Heyer and Frances Burney, her meticulous approach to her research has won over both editors and readers alike.

# The Girl, the Penguin, the Home-Schooling and the Gin

## A Parody

Guy Adams & W. R. Foster



A relatable, funny and affectionate parody of the million-copy bestseller, *The Boy, The Mole, The Fox and The Horse* - for our times and for parents everywhere

**'It's alright,' said the Penguin in exactly, the sort of way that Penguins don't. 'This is the only book you'll ever need to find complete happiness.'**

Because it's been a bit of a trying time, hasn't it? You now know that your eight-year-old is better at maths than you. And English. And at not crying during schoolwork. And the only way to get through it with a smile has been to buy all the booze, wear all the pyjamas and try and make the supermarket delivery person your new best friend, through the letterbox, without screaming at them.

But don't worry, here to paper over all the cracks in your pickled soul is a touching book, full of tender animal friends, lots of pretty pictures and not too many words. A book for our times - to remind us all of the precious joy that is having all the family together, non-stop, twenty-four hours a day.

Owning it will make you happy. Giving it to other people will make you seem kind. Reading it will remind you that you're nearly out of gin.

As a ghost writer, GUY ADAMS has kicked heroin, robbed a casino and worked as a prison doctor. When feeling more himself, he is the author of *The Clown Service* novels, the *Heavens Gate* trilogy and writes comics for various publishers including *2000AD*. He lives in Eastbourne with fellow author and live-in genius AK Benedict and their daughters (one hairy and canine, the other human).

A proud descendant of thieves and vagabonds, W. R. FOSTER - an occasionally published and rarely sober Melbourne native - has been drawing pictures since writing actual words became too much of a bother. He lives somewhere in the Northern Territory, the precise location a mystery, especially to him. He has wandered the earth with only his crayons for company ever since.

October 2021  
112pp, HB

### World Rights

#### Editor:

James Hodgkinson

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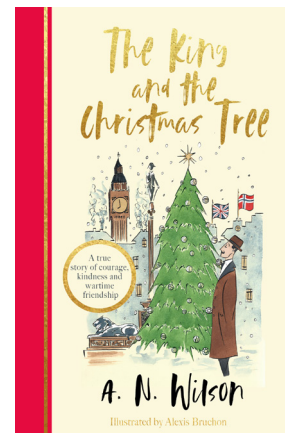
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# The King and the Christmas Tree

A. N. Wilson



October 2021  
176pp, HB

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**A heartwarming story and beautiful festive gift for young and old alike: the little known story of the Christmas tree that stands in Trafalgar Square each December.**

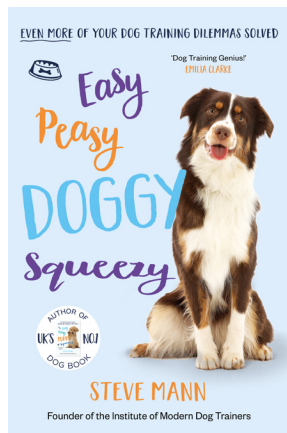
Every December, a huge Christmas tree arrives in Trafalgar Square. Bedecked in lights, it is a shimmering, festive beacon in the heart of London. But even more enchanting than the twinkling decorations and scented pine is the story behind the tree; a story of loyalty, friendship and resistance.

On a cold evening in 1940, German U-boats made their way towards Oslo. It seemed inevitable that Norway, like so many other European nations, would soon submit to the Nazi regime. But the country's indomitable King Haakon VII refused to surrender. Making his escape through his country towards the safe haven of Britain, King Haakon became an icon of hope for his people. And so, over seventy years later, the tree in Trafalgar Square remains as an enduring gift of thanks from Norway to the people of Britain.

In *The King and the Christmas Tree*, historian A. N. Wilson artfully weaves together this tale of courage and friendship between nations. Richly illustrated and beautifully told, it is a delightful Christmas cracker for everyone, young and old alike.

A. N. WILSON is the author of biographies on Jesus, Milton, Tolstoy, C. S. Lewis, and Dante. A former columnist for the London *Evening Standard*, he now contributes to the *Times Literary Supplement*, *New Statesman*, the *Spectator*, the *Observer* and the *Daily Mail*.

Over 250,000 copies sold in the series!



August 2020; TPB; 304 pp.

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Italy (Salani)  
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Poland (SQN)

## Easy Peasy Doggy Squeezy

### Even More of Your Dog-Training Dilemmas Solved

Hundreds of your biggest dog-training questions answered by the No.1 dog trainer and bestselling author.

What should I expect when I adopt a rescue dog?  
How can I stop my dog from barking at strangers?  
How do I teach an older dog new tricks?

*Easy Peasy Doggy Squeezy* provides solutions to hundreds of dog-training problems, including socialising, excessive barking and recall. Steve passes on his wisdom gained from working with thousands of dogs throughout his career. He teaches owners how to work out what kind of pet carer they are and what techniques will work best with their pup. Believing that dogs need to be treated ethically, with good habits rewarded, Steve has developed a fun and practical programme that works with dogs however old they are and whatever their breed and personality.

*'Dog Training Genius!' – Emilia Clarke*

## Easy Peasy Awesome Pawsome

### Dog Training for Kids

Steve shares the passion he had when he was a child growing up with dogs and fires up that same passion in a new generation of children.

The book is packed with facts, fun and bow-wow know-how including:

- Essential exercises: sit, down, recall, loose-led walking
- A history of dogs
- Important lessons such as how to read body language, how dogs learn and dog safety
- Clear, instructional pictures and cartoons
- Quizzes and fun games for the kids and their dogs
- Loads of tricks: rollover; play dead; hi-five; peek-a-boo; say your prayers; spin

Speaking directly to boys and girls of all ages, this is THE must-have book for any family with a dog and kids living under the same woof – ahem – roof.

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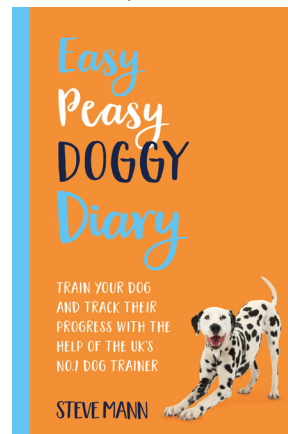
July 2021; PB; 304 pp.



May 2019; TPB; 304 pp.

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November 2020; PB; 272 pp.

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Italy (Salani)

## Easy Peasy Puppy Squeezy

### Your Simple Step-by-step Guide to Raising and Training a Happy Puppy

With over 210,000 copies sold, this is the must-have dog book for anyone who has or is thinking of getting a puppy.

How do I get my new puppy to sit?  
When should I give it a treat?  
How do I build a trusting relationship with my pet?

*Easy Peasy Puppy Squeezy* is an easy to read and accessible guide to training a puppy from birth to young adult (2 weeks to 6 months). Every tip, trick, fact and commandment for making your new addition the perfect pup is included in a fun and informative style, broken down and explained so that you can begin to build the best relationship you can with your new addition to the family.

Written by expert dog-whisperer Steve Mann, the no. 1 dog trainer, this is a must-have for anyone who has or is thinking of getting a puppy.

## Easy Peasy Doggy Diary

### The Training Journal with New Tips and Techniques

This weekly diary is the perfect tool to help you and your dogs stay on track, set out in a simple format with over 25 new tips and techniques to help you and your dog enjoy the journey to domesticated bliss.

Beautifully designed with illustrations and line drawings with weekly targets and progress checks, *Easy Peasy Doggy Diary* is the perfect way to record those special dog moments such as walking without a lead, perfecting recall, sleeping through the night and socialisation with other dogs and visitors.

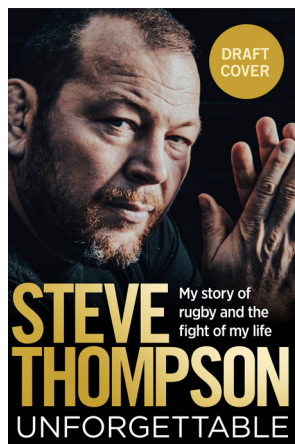
Whether you want to keep track of diet, jot down your favourite local walks, record health visits or celebrate key achievements, this journal helps you plan for the future and see how far you've come.



## Unforgettable

### My Story of Rugby, Dementia and the Fight of my Life

Steve Thompson



February 2022  
304 pp, HB

#### World Rights

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James Hodgkinson

**Material Available:**  
PDF Available

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**US Rights:**  
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**A powerful, affecting sports memoir from one of the true giants of rugby, and a raw call to arms to safeguard the sports we love and all those who play them.**

In 2003, England won the rugby world cup. Steve Thompson was there, in the final, in England's front row, at the heart of the match – and at the heart of the scrum, one of sport's most destructive, attritional and repetitive impacts.

But the triumphs came at a cost. When rugby union turned professional, Steve was plunged into a game where raw power meant everything. Today, he remembers nothing about playing in that final. In his words, watching the tape back is like watching a ghost.

The years of hurt in an era of professional meat shields, and the culture of sucking up knocks and coming back for more, have taken a terrible toll. Steve has been diagnosed with early onset dementia, and chronic traumatic encephalopathy. He is in his early forties. There are days when he doesn't remember the names of his wife and four kids.

But Steve doesn't hate the game of rugby. He wants to change it, make it better. To make safer a sport played by children and teens all over the country, who don't need to unknowingly tread the same path Steve himself has. This will be part sports memoir, part manifesto – a affecting, raw call arms, to safeguard one of our national games and look after the gladiators who play it for our entertainment. In it, Steve will aim to make memories - for himself, and for his children – and will embark on the biggest battle of his life with his toughest opponent – his own mind.

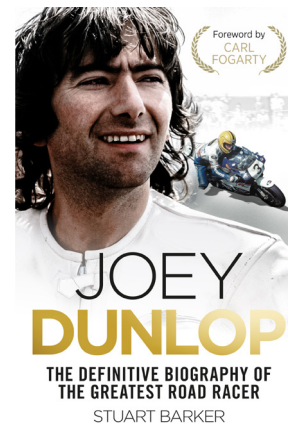
Despite the setbacks, the constant reminders of what has been lost, and what is still to lose, Steve remains inspirationally positive. To this end, *Unforgettable* stands as testament not to the ravaging of the human mind, but to its ultimate strength – a man no longer pushing himself to the limit for competition but for his own survival and his own place in the world.

STEVE THOMPSON MBE is a former Rugby Union player and 2003 Rugby World Cup winner. Once England's most capped hooker, Thompson has also played for the British & Irish Lions as well as playing almost 200 matches for the Northampton Saints. He is now campaigning to improve the game and safeguard those who play it.

## Joey Dunlop

### The Definitive Biography

Stuart Barker



October 2021  
352 pp, HB

#### World Rights

**Editor:**  
James Hodgkinson

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Final PDF available

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David Luxton Associates

**A new, definitive biography of road racing's most iconic figure, with new contributions from friends, family, team mates and never before told stories.**

Joey Dunlop's story is one of towering triumphs and desperate tragedies in almost equal measure.

Born poor – dirt poor – with no running water or electricity, he was the definition of the everyman hero, earning the title 'King of the Roads' in what must be considered one of the world's most extreme sports – motorcycle road racing. And as well as being voted Northern Ireland's greatest ever sportsman, he remains the most loved and most successful rider of all time.

Joey Dunlop won the hearts and minds of millions during his thirty-one-year career, culminating in his greatest triumph in the year 2000 at the Isle of Man TT when, grey-haired, bespectacled, and approaching fifty years of age, he reclaimed his reputation as the greatest TT rider in history by defeating a whole new generation of talent and regaining the crown for the first time in twelve years.

But in road racing, tragedy is never very far away. Joey lost his life in a racing accident in July of 2000. It was just weeks after his final TT victory. More than 60,000 people attended Joey's funeral. Over twenty years after his untimely death, the sport has never truly recovered from his loss.

Everyone with an interest in motorcycling knows the legend of Joey Dunlop but now, for the first time, they can get to know the man himself. This definitive new biography is the most comprehensive ever written on the man. In turns hilarious, triumphant and tragic, this is Dunlop's story as it has never been told before – by those who were part of it.

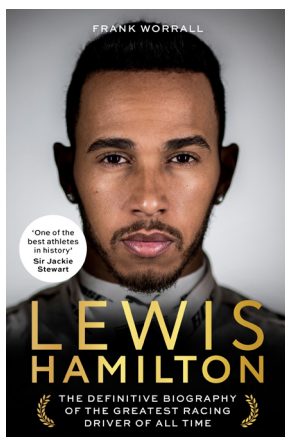
STUART BARKER has written six motorcycling books including a bestselling biography of Barry Sheene. He has also written for publications including *Motorcycle News* and *Motorcycle Sport*. He is currently the editor of the official Isle of Man TT and Classic TT/Manx Grand Prix programmes.



# Lewis Hamilton

## The Biography

Frank Worrall



October 2021, re-issue  
448 pp, HB

### World Rights

**Editor:**  
James Hodgkinson

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**Translation Rights Sold:**  
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Hungary (Animus),  
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SoloSon Media

**The biography of the record-breaking multi-world champion, and one of the most dominant sportsmen of all time.**

After equalling Michael Schumacher's records in both race wins, and world titles, in 2020, Lewis Hamilton became the joint-most successful racing driver of all time – and the most dominant and successful Briton ever to drive in Formula 1.

Hamilton's debut season in 2007 won him fans around the world, and his place in Formula 1 history was sealed the following year when he became the youngest-ever world champion. In the years since, he has created headlines on and off the track with his rivalries with Nico Rosberg and Sebastian Vettel and relationships that have landed him on the front pages of the tabloids. However, despite the media glare, he has continued to prove his incredible talent and tenacity and remain utterly dominant in his sport.

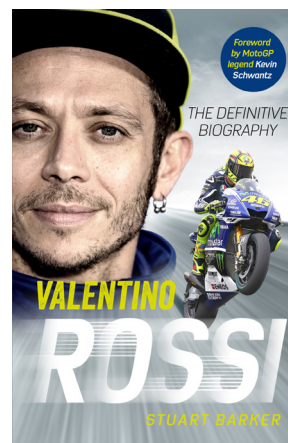
In this insightful biography, bestselling sports author Frank Worrall traces the slipstream of Hamilton's incredible career as the fastest driver on the planet. This is the ultimate story of the driver who has gone from being the rookie Sir Jackie Stewart said 'has rewritten the rule book' to a world champion seven times over, becoming Britain's greatest ever sportsman and, arguably, the finest racer Formula 1 has ever seen.

FRANK WORRALL is a journalist who writes regularly for the *Sunday Times* and the *Sun*. He is also the author of number one bestseller *Roy Keane: Red Man Walking*, and countless football books including *Rooney: Wayne's World*, *Giggsey* and *The Magnificent Sevens*.

# Valentino Rossi

## The Definitive Biography

Stuart Barker



352 pp, HB

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James Hodgkinson

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**US Rights:**  
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**TV & Film Rights:**  
David Luxton Associates

**This is a story of speed, love and loss – the definitive biography of the world's most legendary motorsports racer.**

*At high speed everything becomes more difficult and more beautiful. When you're racing at 180mph the semi-bends become bends, the little holes become big holes, everything becomes extreme and bigger. And then it becomes beautiful.*

Valentino Rossi is an icon: the most successful and well-loved motorcycle racer of all time, he transcended MotoGP to become a symbol of courage, risk and daring. Racing for twenty-three years at the highest level of the world's most dangerous sport, he is a modern-day gladiator, a man who still risks his life every time he throws a leg over a motorcycle.

His popularity is phenomenal. For Rossi, every race is a home race. He turns MotoGP grandstands across the world a sea of yellow, his traditional lucky colour.

In more than two decades of Grand Prix racing, Rossi has seen it all. The deaths of rivals and friends, the glory of his unprecedented success, serious injuries, wealth and infamous altercations.

Using exclusive new interviews with those who have been part of Rossi's story from start to finish, critically acclaimed and bestselling motorsport author Stuart Barker has produced the most in-depth book ever written about the Italian superstar: a tale of speed, love and loss, told in full for the very first time, in all its adrenalin-charged, high-octane glory.

STUART BARKER has written six motorcycling books including a bestselling biography of Barry Sheene. He has also written for publications including *Motor Cycle News* and *Motorcycle Sport*. He is currently the editor of the official Isle of Man TT and Classic TT/Manx Grand Prix programmes.

## Ultimate Football Heroes

Collect Them All

Matt Oldfield and Tom Oldfield



176 pp, PB

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**Editor:**

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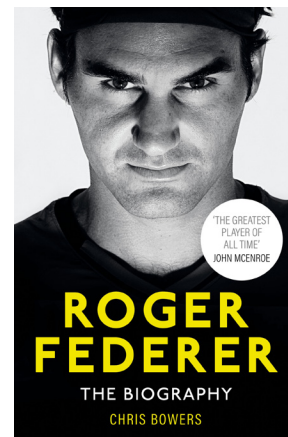
MATT OLDFIELD is an accomplished writer and the editor-in-chief of football review site *Of Pitch and Page*.

TOM OLDFIELD is a freelance sports writer and the author of biographies on Cristiano Ronaldo, Arsene Wenger and Rafael Nadal.

## Federer

The Biography

Chris Bowers



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**The outstanding biography of the greatest tennis player of all time, now exhaustively revised and updated.**

Roger Federer is not only one of the greatest tennis players ever to pick up a racket – if not the greatest – but he is one of the global icons of our time. Characterised by a mixture of passion and calmness, a fierce competitor with a regal bearing, he is both an athlete and an ambassador, a street fighter and a statesman.

But who is he really? And what are the experiences and influences that have shaped him into the world figure he is today? This acclaimed biography, now fully updated, traces Federer's life and career, from his first tentative swings with a racket to legendary status.

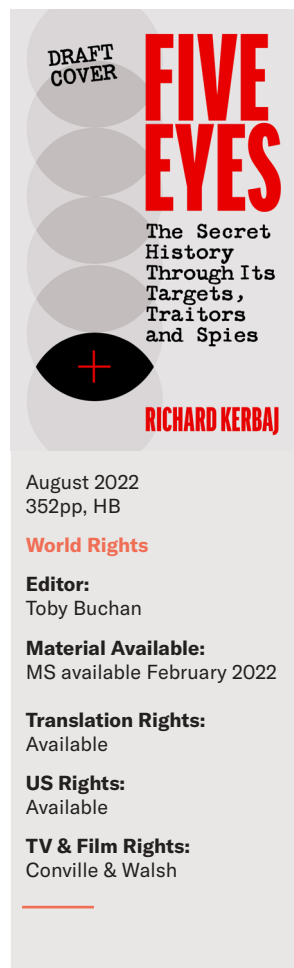
Broadcaster and tennis historian Chris Bowers talked exclusively to many of the people who helped shape the young Roger Federer, and together with his own experiences following Federer's career from his junior title at Wimbledon at age sixteen to his twentieth major title nineteen years later, he presents an affectionate and analytical portrait of one of the great names of modern-day sport. His book has enough information to satisfy the most voracious Federer fan, and enough talking points to keep an argument going until the small hours.

CHRIS BOWERS is a freelance writer and broadcaster who has covered the global tennis scene for more than 20 years. He is best known as a commentator for European sports television channel Eurosport but also appears on the American sports channel ESPN and various radio stations around the world. He has written several books on tennis, including *The Book of Tennis*, the International Tennis Federation's centenary commemorative book, and four *Davis Cup* yearbooks.

## Five Eyes

### The Secret History Through Its Targets, Traitors and Spies

Richard Kerbaj



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The untold history of the elite spy network created by Britain and the United States following the Second World War that industrialised espionage operations.

The global surveillance reach of Five Eyes through its five member countries, including Canada, Australia and New Zealand, is unrivalled – and its joint-operations ultimately brought an end to the Soviet Union during the Cold War.

The Five Eyes has been steeped in secrecy since its formation in 1956, its existence only acknowledged as recently as 2010. On the one hand it is equivalent to a band of brothers drawn together by a common language and cause, whose historical achievements include the takedown of atomic spies in the 1940s to the exposure of Russian collusion in Donald Trump's 2016 presidential campaign. But on the other hand, the Five Eyes' very existence is not legally binding – it functions as a marriage of convenience riddled with distrust, competing intelligence agendas and a massive imbalance of power that favours the United States.

Until now, however, there has been no book detailing its long and complex history. *Five Eyes: The Secret History Through Its Targets, Traitors and Spies* is a character-led narrative that weaves together accounts spanning eight decades – from stories of codebreakers in the Second World War, to the latest Russian threats to Western democracy and the trade conflict between the US and China that have reshaped national security. Its author draws on interviews with intelligence officials and recently declassified archives to reveal authoritative but unauthorised stories, bypassing the usual censorship channels to tell the definitive account of the Western world's most powerful but least known intelligence alliance.

Impeccably researched over many years, and including hitherto unpublished interviews with many influential players, *Five Eyes* is a major contribution to the literature of international intelligence.

RICHARD KERBAJ is a BAFTA-winning and two-time Emmy-nominated filmmaker and writer who has specialised in investigating crime and national security-related stories for more than fifteen years. He was the security correspondent for the *Sunday Times* between 2010 and 2020. He has written extensively about the impact that counter-terrorism and counter-espionage have had on intelligence agencies, including MI5, MI6, GCHQ and the CIA, in their battle against ISIS and Al Qaeda, and other threats.

## Kitty's Salon

### Sex, Spying and Surveillance in the Third Reich

Urs Brunnen, Nigel Jones & Dr. Julia Schrammel



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**This extraordinary story of a high-class Berlin brothel taken over by the Nazi secret service is truly one of the last untold tales of WWII**

'Kitty's Salon' was transformed into an espionage listening post to spy on its male clientele. This was achieved by secretly installing hidden microphones in every room, and by recruiting twenty young women to 'staff' it. The women were specially selected, not only for their physical attractiveness, but for their high intelligence, knowledge of foreign languages, and devotion to the Nazi cause. They were inducted into the SS and trained to extract information from their clients in pillow talk, but themselves had no knowledge that the rooms were also wired for sound.

The 'Madame' and owner of the establishment, the eponymous Kitty Schmidt, (1882–1954), was bullied, blackmailed and browbeaten by the Nazis into co-operating with the project. Having helped Jews to escape to Britain, she was permanently under the threat of a death sentence or consignment to a concentration camp to ensure her collaboration.

The transformation of Salon Kitty into a spy centre was the brainchild of the most feared Nazi of them all: Reinhard Heydrich. Dubbed even by Hitler as 'the man with the iron heart', Heydrich was overlord of both the SS's secret service, the Sicherheitsdienst (SD); and was Himmler's deputy as overall Chief of the SS.

Now the real story, based on years of painstaking detailed research, piecing together fragmentary evidence and separating it from lies and legends, is told by the authors. *Salon Kitty* and its owner are at the heart of the story, which provides a portal into the context of the wider history of sex, spying and surveillance before, during and after the Third Reich.

This is at once an exploration of male power in politics, a previously almost unknown episode of Nazi and espionage history, and a great story of historical detection.



## Goose Green

### Uncensored Voices

Nigel Ely



**An honest and uncompromising account of soldiers in battle, published to mark the fortieth anniversary of the Falklands War, April–June 1982**

On 28 May 1982, 450 men of the 2nd Battalion, the Parachute Regiment, stood poised to retake the settlement of Goose Green on East Falkland, where 1,500 Argentine soldiers had captured, and were holding in squalid conditions, 119 Falkland Islanders – men, women, children and one baby. 2 Para's mission: to capture the settlements of Darwin and Goose Green and save the lives of the hostages.

This is a true story of a great victory against all the odds. Forty years on, Goose Green is still the biggest, bloodiest battle the British Army has fought in modern times.

In chronological order and in their own voices, the author has compiled a living narrative of the battle by the men who fought it; the men of 2 Para, the SAS, the Royal Navy and Merchant Navy, and others, in more than a hundred exclusive and untold personal accounts. Some are side-splittingly hilarious, some sad, and some so heart-breaking they may well bring readers to tears. All the interviews were recorded face to face and then transcribed; many have been left in the speakers' own words, adding a gritty authenticity to each account.

The result is a book that goes beyond the official histories or the memoirs of senior commanders, to bring to life the first and, as it turned out, the decisive battle of this country's extraordinary and brilliant campaign to retake the Falkland Islands from a foreign invader.

NIGEL 'Spud' ELY served in 2 Para as a private soldier and was later one of the youngest to pass Selection into 22 SAS. During the Falklands War he was on the first landing craft to hit the beach at San Carlos and was point man for the battle for Goose Green. He went on to fight in 2 Para's second major engagement, the battle for Wireless Ridge (2 Para was the only unit to fight two battles in the Falklands campaign) and as the firing died down, he and his comrades found themselves rapidly advancing into Port Stanley. So 2 Para became the first unit of the Task Force into the islands' capital, where they took the unofficial Argentine surrender. After leaving the British Army he worked as a military adviser for the British Government, a war photojournalist and became a bestselling author.

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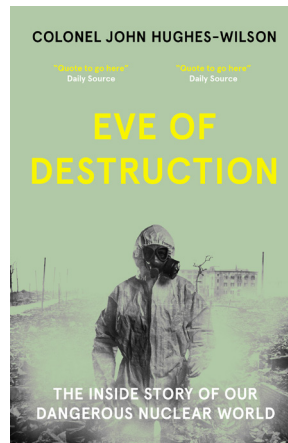
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## Eve of Destruction

### The Inside Story of Our Dangerous Nuclear World

Colonel John Hughes-Wilson



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**Leading military historian, John Hughes-Wilson exposes just how close we have come to genuine nuclear disaster.**

Truman evidently understood the terrifying power of atomic weaponry, but no one could have realised its full potential when he ordered the bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki in August 1945. Those military attacks, along with the disasters at the Fukushima and Chernobyl nuclear reactors, might immediately spring to mind at the mention of nuclear destruction, but the vast majority of the events recorded in this book are entirely unknown to most people. This book records the facts – many of them still shrouded in secrecy – which show a worrying truth: we have teetered precariously on the brink of Armageddon far more frequently than the general public realises.

Since that first and last atomic war in 1945, there have been a terrifying number of nuclear accidents and mishaps, from the careless or accidental to the genuinely intentional and only narrowly averted. Despite the catastrophic nature of any nuclear conflict, we have come to the very borders of such a situation eight times since the 1960s.

*Eve of Destruction* is a warning from history – recent history. It is a call to sit up and listen, and to take note of the very real danger of nuclear catastrophe. It is a timely and important book because, after all, the future of our planet has to concern us all.

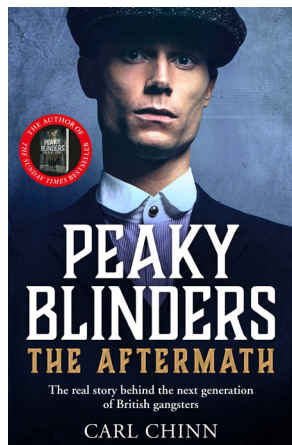
Colonel JOHN HUGHES-WILSON is one of Britain's leading military historians and a well-reviewed author and commentator on a wide range of intelligence and military-history subjects. He was selected to be the author of the *Imperial War Museum's A History of the First World War in 100 Objects* for 2014, the centenary of the start of the Great War. He also wrote *Intelligence Blunders*, which was found at Osama Bin Laden's bedside and has become a CIA textbook.

John has been a frequent broadcaster for BBC television and radio and worked alongside Huw Edwards and David Dimbleby providing commentary for events including the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Falklands War. During his twenty-five years in the Intelligence Corps and as a Special Forces operations officer, John saw active service in the Falkland Islands, Cyprus, Arabia, and Northern Ireland, as well as in the dangerous jungles of Whitehall and NATO.

## Peaky Blinders: The Aftermath

### The Real Story Behind the Next Generation of British Gangsters

Carl Chinn



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The third book in the incredible *Sunday Times* bestselling series, which once again dives into Britain's murky underworld, uncovering the country's worst criminals of the mid-twentieth century

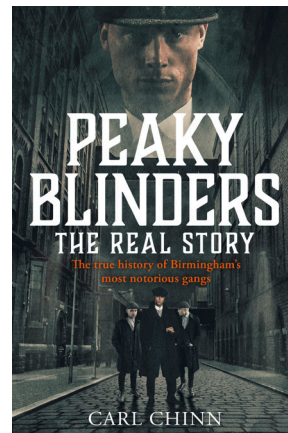
As Britain emerges into the mid-twentieth century, change is afoot. Cities are beginning to shift from smog-filled industrial hubs to more efficient metropolitan centres of commerce and, despite the country once again being blighted by war, society is beginning to shift towards a more modern, forward-thinking era. But change is not only limited to regular men and women; under the shifting tides of development, the criminal underbelly, too, is evolving, anxious for new avenues of exploitation and expansion . . .

And so, in the third instalment of his best-selling series, historian Carl Chinn examines this new era in the landscape of Britain's gangs. After the violent reign of the Peaky Blinders, the intimidation of the Birmingham gang and frequent gang wars up and down the country, new groups are emerging with new ways of making money and causing trouble, and, like those who came before them, they leave havoc and destruction in their wake.

*Peaky Blinders: The Aftermath* will bring this new generation of criminals into focus. And up and down the length of the country, from the dog tracks to the pubs of the East End, it delves into the murky world of the country's most villainous criminals.

**Over 350,000 books sold in the series!**

Professor CARL CHINN MBE Ph.D. is a social historian with a national profile, writer, public speaker and teacher. An off-course bookmaker himself until 1984, he is the son and grandson of illegal bookmakers in Sparkbrook and the great-grandson of a member of the so-called Peaky Blinders gang, whilst his mother's family were factory workers in Aston.



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## Peaky Blinders

### The Real Story

Carl Chinn

The Peaky Blinders as we know them, thanks to the hit TV series, are infused with drama and dread. Fashionably dressed, the charismatic but deeply flawed Shelby family blind enemies by slashing them with the disposable safety razor blades stitched into the peaks of their flat caps, as they fight bloody gangland wars involving Irish terrorists and the authorities led by a devious Home Secretary, Winston Churchill.

But who were the real Peaky Blinders? Did they really exist?

Well-known social historian, broadcaster and author Carl Chinn has spent decades searching them out. Now he reveals the true story of the notorious Peaky Blinders, one of whom was his own great-grandfather and, like the Shelbys, his grandfather was an illegal bookmaker in backstreet Birmingham.

In this gripping social history, Chinn shines a light on the rarely reported struggles of the working class in one of the great cities of the British Empire before the First World War.



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## Peaky Blinders

### The Legacy

Carl Chinn

In *Peaky Blinders: The Legacy* we revisit the world of Billy Kimber's Peaky Blinders, exploring their legacy throughout the 1920s and '30s, and how their burgeoning empires spread across the UK. Delve into the street wars across the country, the impact of the declaration of War on Gangs by the Home Secretary after The Racecourse War in 1921, and how black-market bookmaking gave way to new and daring opportunities for the likes of Darby Sabini, Alfie Solomon and some new faces in the murky gangland underworld.

Drawing on Carl's inimitable research, interviews and original sources, find out just what happened to this incredible cast of characters, revealing the true legacy of the Peaky Blinders.

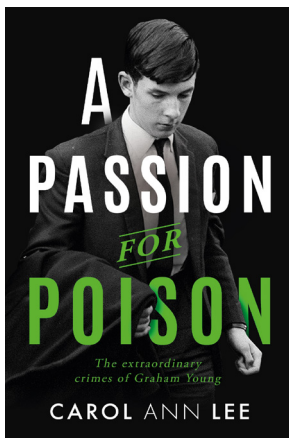
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## A Passion for Poison

### The Extraordinary Tale of the Schoolboy Teacup Poisoner

Carol Ann Lee



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**The chilling tale of The Teacup Poisoner, Graham Young**

*'The whole story is so terrible. You will be disgusted and amazed.'*  
Graham Young, confessing his crimes to detectives

There are few criminal cases more astonishing yet less well known than that of Graham Young. A quintessentially British crime story set in the post-war London suburbs, it involves two sensational trials, murders both certain and probable, a clutch of forgiving relatives, and scores of surviving victims.

Fourteen in the summer of 1962, Graham stood in the Old Bailey dock charged with poisoning a schoolfriend and family members by adding antimony to their packed lunches, Sunday roast and morning cups of tea. Diagnosed with multiple personality disorders, Graham's trial resulted in his detainment at Broadmoor, where he was the youngest patient.

But it was on his release from Broadmoor that Graham caused the greatest harm. Finding employment in Hadlands, a photographic supplies firm, his role as junior storeman meant he was expected to make tea and coffee for his colleagues. And soon numerous members of staff began experiencing crippling stomach pains...

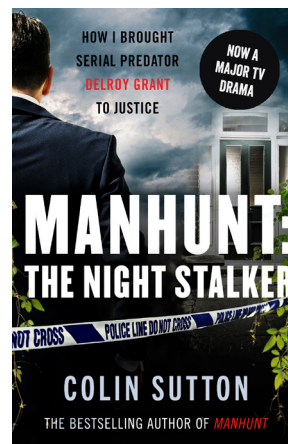
A psychologically astute insight into the mind of a complex and intriguing individual, *A Passion for Poison* is true crime at its best.

CAROL ANN LEE is the highly acclaimed author of several books, including *One of Your Own: The Life and Death of Myra Hindley*, *Witness: The Story of David Smith*, *A Fine Day for a Hanging: The Real Ruth Ellis Story* and *The Murders at White House Farm: Jeremy Bamber and the Killing of his Family*. *Witness* and *A Fine Day for a Hanging* were both shortlisted for CWA Non-Fiction Dagger Awards.

## Manhunt: The Night Stalker

### How I Brought a Serial Predator to Justice

Colin Sutton



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Soon to be a major four-part TV drama, this is the second book by *Sunday Times* bestselling author Colin Sutton.

Delroy Grant – dubbed the Night Stalker – was one of the most wanted men, a shocking sex predator. During his seventeen-year reign of fear, he established a clear MO. Target an elderly woman, living alone. Visit them at night. Remove a window pane and slide in. Unscrew the lightbulbs. Cut the power at the electricity meter. Rip out the telephone wires. Tiptoe to the bedroom. Wake the victim by shining a torch in their eyes. What followed for his terrified victims was often unspeakable.

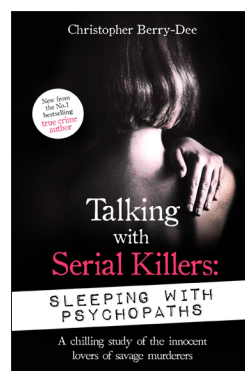
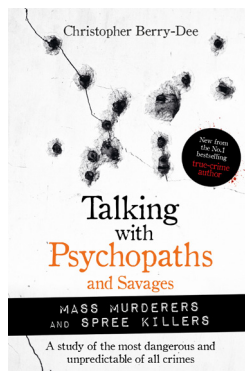
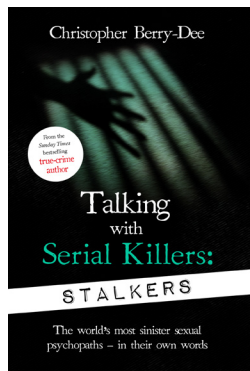
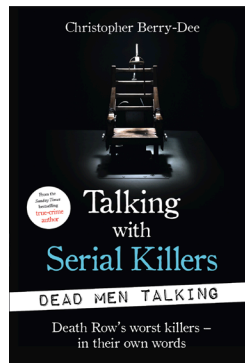
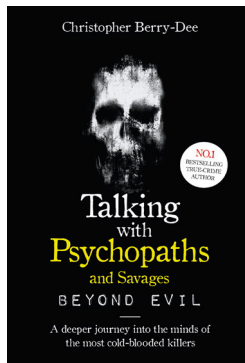
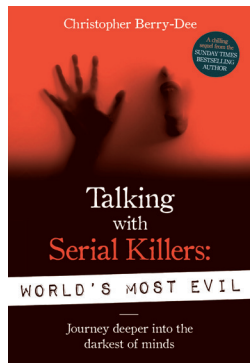
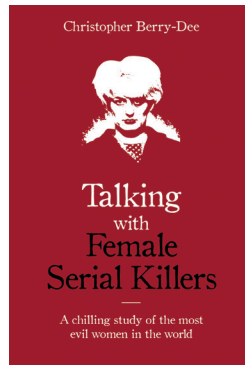
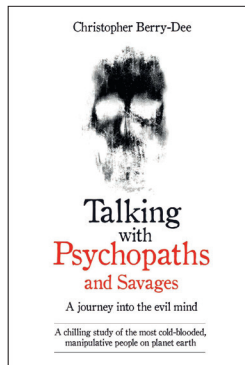
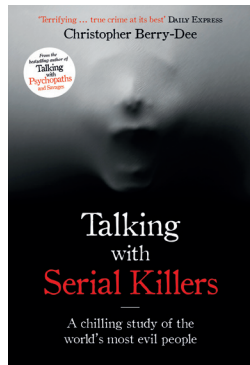
When SIO Colin Sutton was drafted into the case, Grant had been at large for over a decade. Stepping up where others had failed, he began the determined, relentless police work that had marked the end for infamous serial killer Levi Bellfield. Case by case, clue by clue.

*Manhunt: Night Stalker* is the chilling true story of one of the most testing manhunts the Metropolitan Police have ever undertaken. It is a glimpse into the heart of darkness – and into the mind and work of the brilliant detective who brought one of London's most feared monsters to justice.

COLIN SUTTON was a Senior Investigating Officer in the Metropolitan Police from January 2003 to January 2011, leading more than thirty successful murder investigations, notably the Levi Bellfield case and the successful re-investigation of the seventeen-year reign of terror of the 'Nightstalker' Delroy Grant. His first book, *Manhunt*, was a *Sunday Times* bestseller.

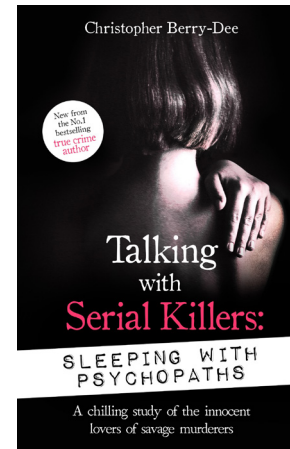
# Talking With Serial Killers Series

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**The UK's number 1 true-crime author examines a different kind of murder victim: the unwitting romantic partners of monstrous killers.**

Bestselling writer and criminologist Christopher Berry-Dee turns his attention to a new kind of victim: the wives or partners of serial murderers who remained unaware of exactly who they had fallen for until after their other half's arrest or, in some cases, conviction, for multiple murders.

Sonia Sutcliffe first discovered that her husband, Peter, was leading a secret existence as 'the Yorkshire Ripper' only when he was arrested.

The wife of the 'Hillside Strangler' only learned of her husband's crimes when state police smashed down her door in search of him.

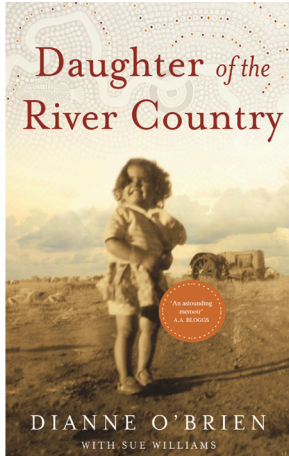
On finding out the truth, these innocents often experience a strange kind of guilt for not having recognised the killer in their home, as well as having to face the grim reality of betrayal and deceit.

Christopher Berry-Dee speaks directly to killers and their oblivious loved ones to get inside the minds of the men and women who fall for murderers.

CHRISTOPHER BERRY-DEE is a noted writer and criminologist. His recent books include *Talking with Psychopaths and Savages: Journey into the Evil Mind*, the UK's bestselling true-crime title of 2017, and *Talking with Psychopaths and Savages: Mass Murderers and Spree Killers* (2021). He is the country's No. 1 true-crime author. He does not shy away from visiting prisons to interview some of the most disturbed murderers who are behind bars - gaining their trust and delving into the depths of their minds.

## Daughter of the River Country

Dianne O'Brien



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**An inspiring story of a woman who survives her unimaginably hard life ... and then remarkably finds a way to lift up others in her community.**

Born in rural NSW in the 1940s, baby Dianne is immediately taken from her indigenous parents and adopted by an Irish couple. Raised in the era of the 'White Australia' policy and widespread racism, Dianne grows up believing her adoptive mother, Val, is her birth mother. Val promises Dianne that when she turns 15, she will 'tell her a story'. But just months before Dianne's 15th birthday, Val dies.

Abandoned by her stepfather, Dianne is raped at the age of 15, sentenced to a girls' home and later forced to marry her rapist. She gives birth to a baby girl – the first of seven children – and goes on to endure years of horrific domestic violence at the hands of different partners, drug and alcohol addiction, and cruel betrayal by those closest to her. But miraculously her fighting spirit is not extinguished.

At the age of 29, Dianne learns she is Aboriginal and that her grandfather was William Cooper, a famous Aboriginal activist and community leader. She chooses to forgive the past and becomes a leader in her own right, dedicating her future to helping others who may not know they are Aboriginal, other 'missing people' just like her.

DIANNE O'BRIEN (known as Aunty Di) is currently the Chairperson of Mingaletta Corporation, an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community hub. She first learnt of her Aboriginal heritage at the age of 29, when she discovered she was part of the Stolen Generation and that her grandfather was William Cooper, a well-known Aboriginal political activist and community leader.

Dianne has worked in legal services, as a drug and alcohol counsellor, and has held many senior positions in government organisations. She lives on the Central Coast of NSW, Australia.

## Sins of the Father

**Abused by my father every day for ten years, this is my story of survival**

Shaneda Daly with Linda Watson-Brown



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**Shaneda Daly tells the story of a decade of horrific abuse by her own father, and how she managed to take back the power he had taken away so cruelly.**

*'I look back now and see that I never stood a chance. It's hard when you realise your whole childhood was taken away. I never got the chance to be a child.'*

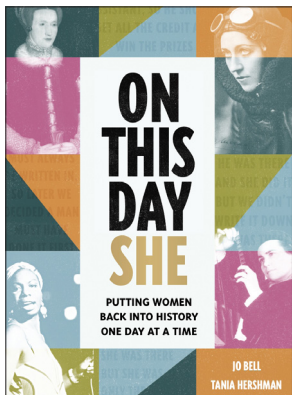
Shaneda Daly was only 6 years old when her father started grooming her. For more than ten years, he would go on to sexually abuse and rape his daughter at least once a day. In her house of doom, the emotional and physical toll on Shaneda was immense. Eventually, her ex-army and prison officer father admitted to his family what he had been doing, agreeing to leave home to get help. Returning after only a year, he was welcomed back, apparently a changed man. With no choice but to accept it, Shaneda lived alongside him again only for him to abuse her once more.

Shaneda managed to contact the police and leave home, finally reclaiming her power and standing up to the man who destroyed her childhood. Decades later, in 2011, she watched as her father was convicted on 227 counts of abuse – the average number that usually secures a conviction is less than 20. Shaneda now fights as a campaigner for other victims and is bravely telling her story fully for the first time: the story of a survivor.

SHANEDA DALY is a campaigner and survivor of abuse. She lives in Ireland where she runs Survivors Side By Side and coordinates support group meetings nationwide, as well as campaigns for mandatory life sentences for those convicted of rape or child abuse. This is her first book.



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Kate Wills wasn't expecting to be divorced after six months of marriage. She wasn't expecting to be remaking a life that had, for the last 12 years with her partner, seemed so stable and fixed. But at 33, this is where she found herself.

Luckily, her job as a travel journalist offered her the perfect opportunity to escape from it all, something she'd be doing since she was young and coping with her parents' highly dysfunctional relationship. But this time she began to search history for female travellers to inspire her. In doing so, she discovered Nellie Bly, who made it round the globe in just 72 days in 1889 and the uber-cool Emily Hahn, a *New Yorker* writer who lived in Beijing for most of the 1920s, amongst many others.

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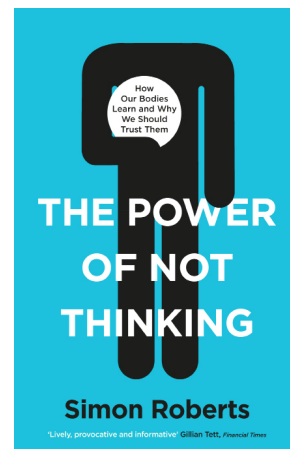
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We just have to stop thinking and trust our bodies.

SIMON ROBERTS is one of the world's leading Business Anthropologists. He works with and advises some of the largest global organisations, including Intel, Facebook, P&G, Google and many other Fortune 500 companies. He now runs his own consultancy – Stripe Partners – and before this worked at Intel and the Cabinet Office. He writes and speaks widely on research, innovation and strategy and has published many articles, book chapters and popular blog posts. His work has been covered by the likes of the *Financial Times*, *Wall Street Journal*, BBC Radio 4, and *The Telegraph*.



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## The Crown The Inside History

Robert Lacey

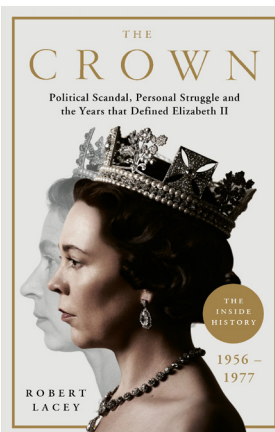
The official book to the Golden Globe and BAFTA award-winning Netflix drama, *The Crown*, with extensive research, additional material and beautifully reproduced photographs.

Elizabeth Mountbatten never expected her father to die so suddenly, leaving her with a throne to fill and a global institution to govern.

As Britain lifted itself out of the shadow of war, the new monarch faced her own challenges. Her mother doubted her marriage; her uncle-in-exile derided her abilities; her husband resented the sacrifice of his career and family name; while her rebellious sister embarked on a love affair that threatened the centuries-old links between the Church and the Crown. This is the story of how Elizabeth II drew on every ounce of resolve to ensure that the Crown always came out on top.

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Robert Lacey

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Covering two tumultuous decades in the reign of Elizabeth II, Lacey looks at the key social, political and personal moments and the effect they had not only on the royal family, but also on the world around them. From the Suez Canal Crisis and the US-Russia space race to the Duke of Windsor's collaboration with Hitler and the rumoured issues with the royal marriage, the book will provide a fascinating insight into the two decades that the show covers, revealing the truth behind the fiction on-screen.

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The Laugh-Out-Loud Memoir

Tiffany Norris



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**The hilarious, heart-warming and perfect summer read from *The Mummy Concierge*.**

Create a unique baby name that no one has ever used before... tick;  
Organise a delivery room photoshoot with hair and make-up for mum-to-be... tick; Arrange a surprise 'I'm pregnant' gift for a client's partner - a cast of her vagina BEFORE she gives birth... tick

All in a day's work for the Mummy Concierge.

Acting as a baby's personal assistant, on-call therapist and social director Tiffany Norris strives to be the ultimate parent protector, peacekeeper and negotiator when it comes to bringing a new tiny human into the world. Where demands go way beyond late-night food cravings and into the luxurious world of the super-rich, Tiffany is on hand to help mamas- and papas-to-be with all kinds of quirky and seemingly impossible requests.

From a client who dreams of giving birth in a designer dress to outrageous 'push presents' like a house in the Maldives, from opulent nurseries and stylists for new-borns to the more universal anxieties of looking after new lives and 2am calls worrying about just not being enough.

Sharing Tiffany's own story of fertility struggles and post-natal depression - whilst keeping up her day job dealing with other people's children - *Secrets of the Mummy Concierge* reminds us all that being a new parent is one of the hardest jobs on earth.

TIFFANY NORRIS is a no-nonsense mummy concierge, journalist and pregnancy guru who has worked with hundreds of pregnant mothers, and supports every woman who needs her with tips and guidance and sometimes just a listening ear. She is a journalist and presenter for Mumsnet, a parenting vlogger for Channel Mum, has written for *Cosmo* and *Grazia* and is an expert for The Baby Show. Tiffany is also the owner of the The Mummy Collective, parenting workshops for soon-to-be and new parents.

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