BOOK REVIEWS

The Perfect Betrayal

By Lauren North



After the sudden death of her husband, Tess is drowning in grief. All she has left is her son, Jamie, and she'll do anything to protect him - but she's struggling to cope. When grief counsellor Shelley knocks on their door, everything changes. Shelley is understanding and kind, and promises she can help Tess through the hardest time of her life. But when a string of unsettling events happens and questions arise over her

husband's death, Tess starts to suspect that Shelley may have an ulterior motive. Tess knows she must do everything she can to keep Jamie safe – but she's at her most vulnerable, and that's a dangerous place to be...

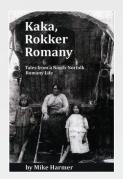
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Kaka, Rokker Romany

Tales from a North-Norfolk Romany Life

By Mike Harmer

Mike is Norfolk born and bred and says, "Over my seventy plus years I have met a fair few folk and a couple of years back I thought it might be worth my while to put pen to paper relating tales of some of the characters I have encountered, especially as my Romany heritage shines a light on a way of life that has all but disappeared." Largely self-taught and a voracious reader, Mike has a thirst for knowledge and is immersed in local folk and



Romany history. His dealings have brought him into contact with all that society has to offer. He writes in the tradition of George Baldry, Fred Rolfe and George Borrow - it is a folk tradition and he has given us a book worthy of his forebears - not one necessarily to be read from start to finish, but rather to be dipped into and the nuggets drawn out and savoured one by one.

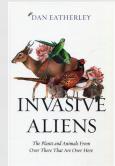
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Invasive Aliens

The Plants and Animals From Over There That Are Over Here

By Dan Eatherley

Today's countryside is filled with squirrels and sycamores, ladybirds and pheasants, even Canada and Egyptian geese aren't out of place. The British Isles have been colonised by a succession of animals, plants, fungi and other organisms that apparently belong elsewhere. Indeed, it's often hard to sort out the native from the foreign. Some species, like the Asian hornet, cause problems; others, like snowdrops and daffodils, are cherished. From



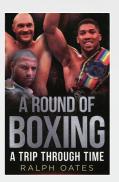
the earliest settlement of our islands and first experiments with farming, through the Roman and medieval times, to the age of exploration by Europeans and the current period of globalised free-for-all, the story of invasive species is the story of our own past, present and future.

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A Round of Boxing

A Trip Through Time

By Ralph Oates



A Round of Boxing is a journey through time looking at the many astonishing feats which have taken place inside the square ring over the years. From the first world heavyweight title fight which took place under the Marquess of Queensberry Rules in 1892 between John L. Sullivan and James J. Corbett to the present time. The fascinating facts are presented in chronological order in an easily readable way, and include highlights

from every weight division, from strawweight to heavyweight poundage.

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