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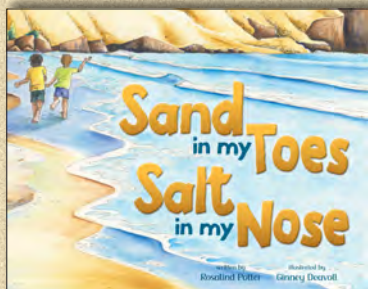
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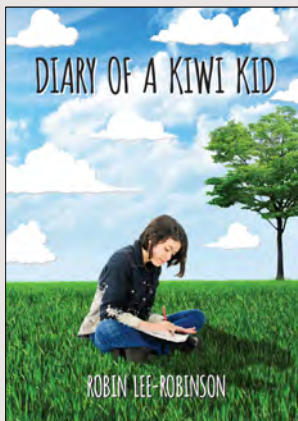
Robin Lee Robinson

shares her time between family, friends and writing colleagues in Tauranga, and a commitment to creative projects in her bach in the Eastern Bay of Plenty.

She is presently concentrating on monologues performed on stage and transferring as stories for her next publication.

A long term member of Tauranga Writers, Robin contributes to their literary magazine 'Byline', and has written many presentations, talks, and performance skits.

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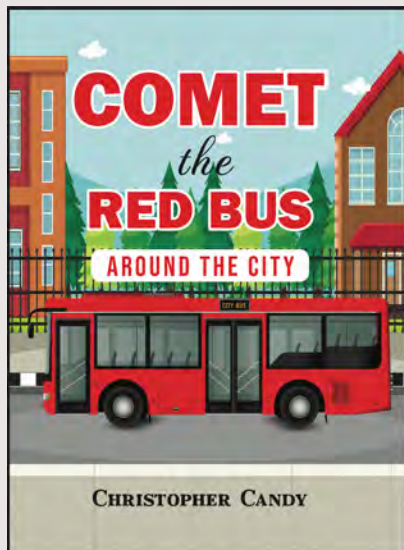
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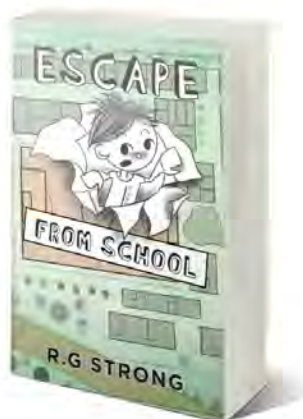
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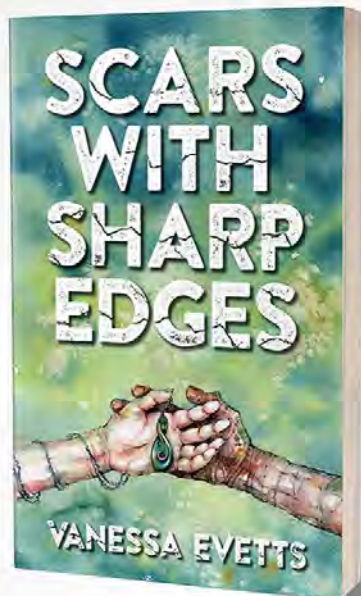
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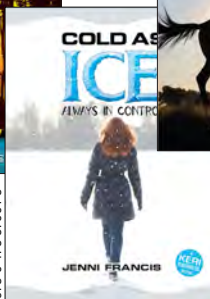
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Jenni Francis moved with her family to New Zealand when she was eight years old. The outdoor lifestyle, led to a number of short stories and YA novels. Jenni trained as a teacher, and a teacher of deaf children, as well as completing a degree in education. She began writing seriously about twenty years ago.

Having had a wide range of different life experiences, including living and working on a dairy farm, Jenni has much to draw on to fill out her novels. Skiing, beach holidays, school camps and school life are part of the background to her YA novels. She has published six YA novels, and has also published a book of short stories.



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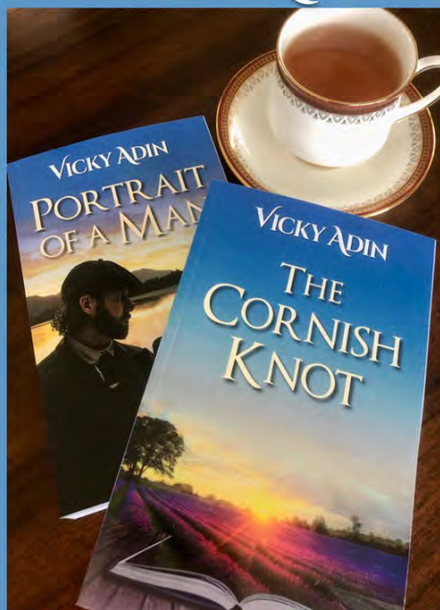
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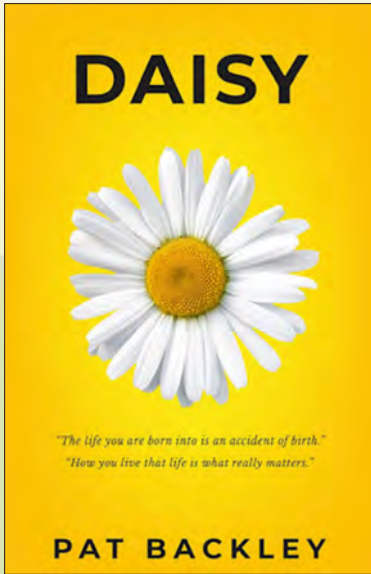
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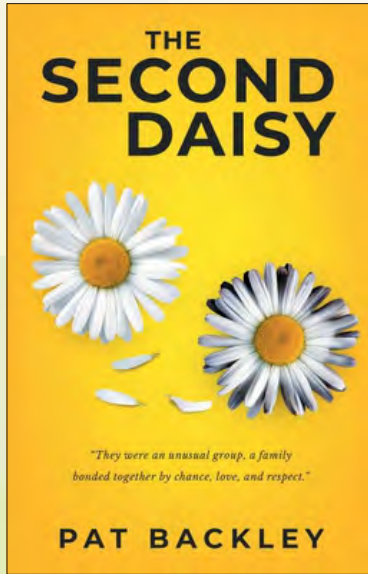
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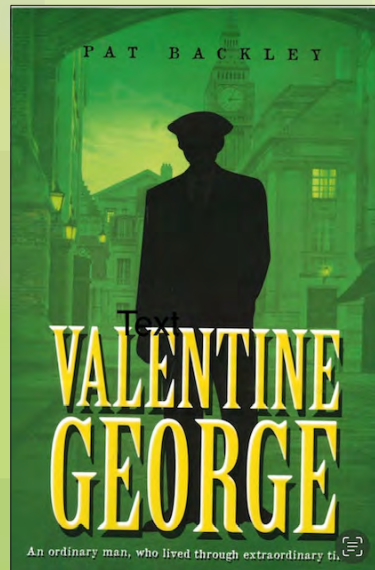


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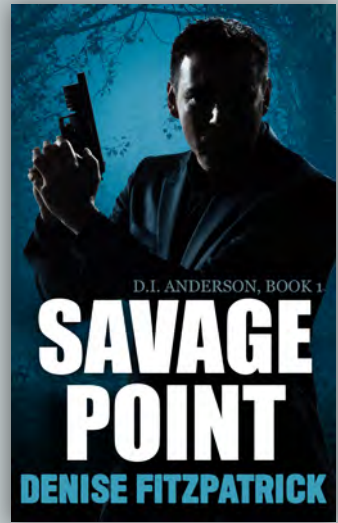
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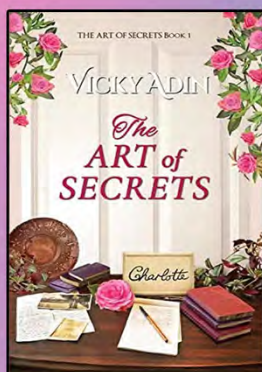
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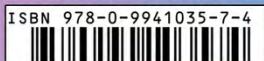
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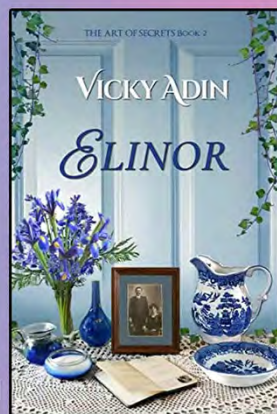
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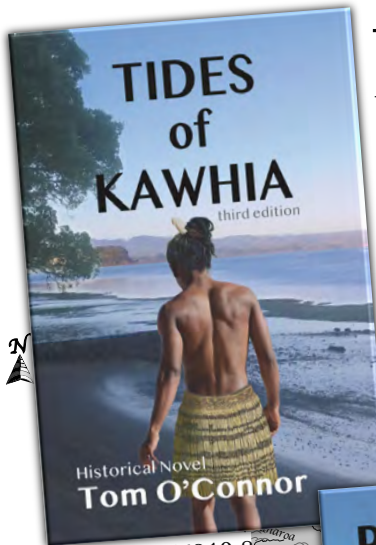
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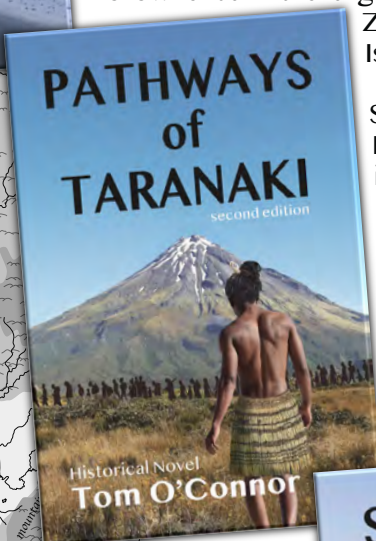
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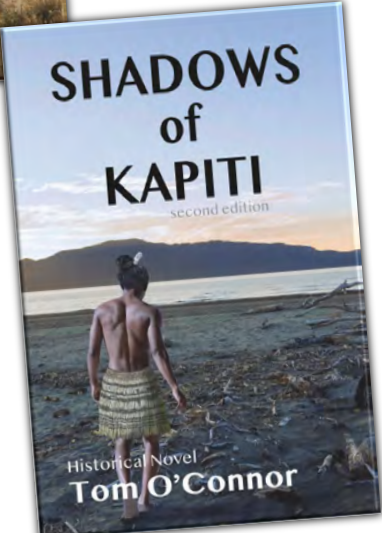
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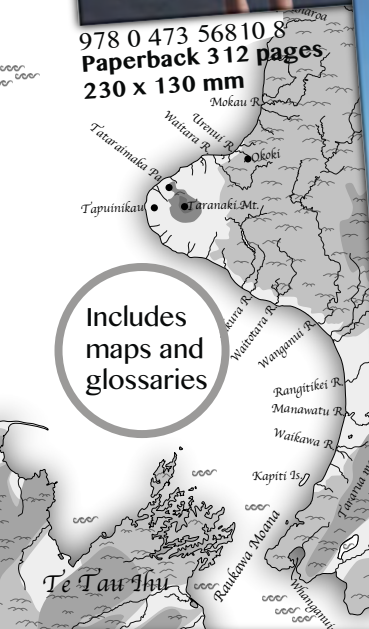
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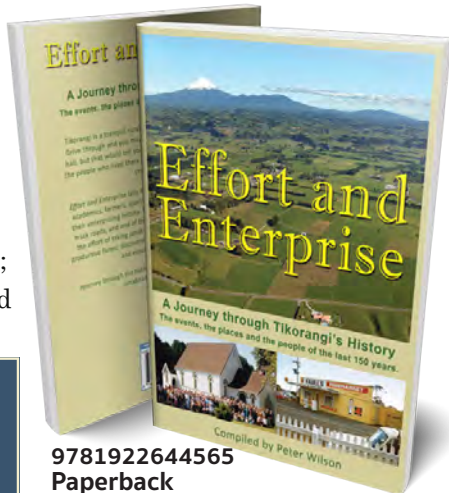


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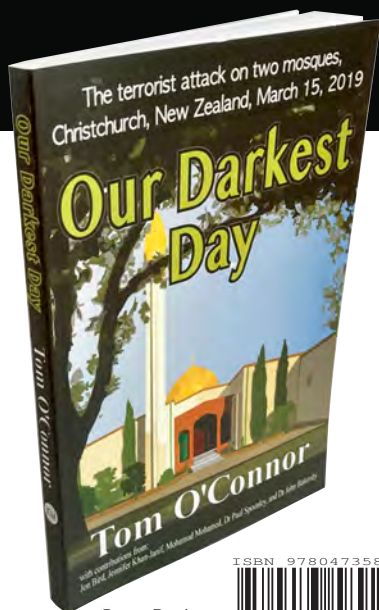


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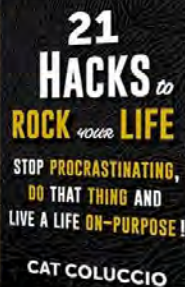
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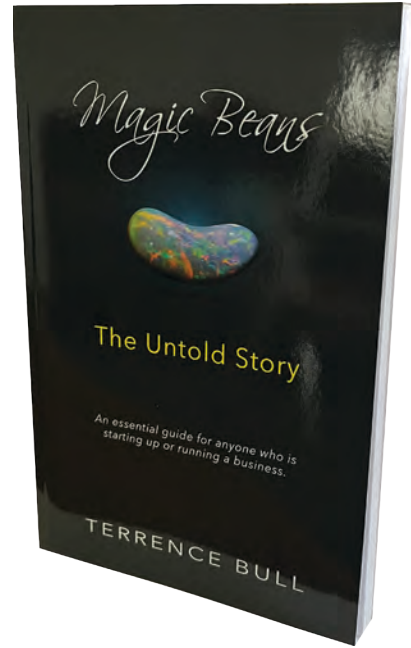
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