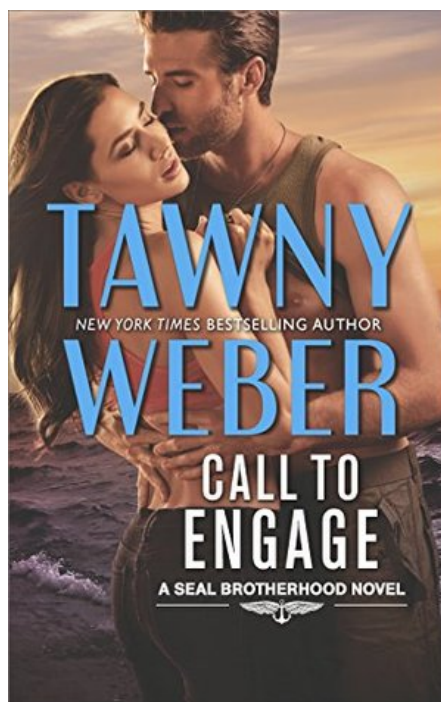




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The Poseidon team are hard-bodied, fiercely competitive Navy SEALs. But when a sensitive mission goes disastrously wrong, three of the team's finest will have to trust their hearts and instincts to uncover the truth...

Lieutenant Elijah Prescott should be spending his precious leave somewhere with sun, surf and scantily clad women. Instead, he's heading home with two goals in mind. Figure out exactly how his last assignment went to hell and almost killed him—and reconnect with the woman who might offer salvation.

Ava Monroe has streamlined her life, eliminating every source of pain—including a marriage touched by tragedy. One glimpse of her ex and those good intentions turn to bad-girl desires. Her strategy: get over Elijah by getting under him again, sating herself until she can finally let go. But as betrayal within the rank of the SEALs turns deadly, there's no denying that her heart and her life are on the line. Elijah is the only man who can protect both...

Call to Engage Details

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Babs says

Second book in the Team Poseidon series and it is better to read the first book if you can. Elijah has been betrayed by a team member. And a marriage to Ava that went horribly wrong.

Ava is strong and has moved on to rebuild her life. She works at a gym.

Elijah stays with his cousin after her gets out of the hospital and guess who owns the gym? Yep, the cousin. Ava wants to keep it professional and Elijah would like more.

The Commander wants to find out who betrayed the team.

Another great read by the author and you will not want to miss this book.

I received an ARC and I voluntarily reviewed.

Donna Repsher says

Call to Engage is the second novel in the Team Poseidon series, and I'm very glad I read the first novel in the series, Call to Honor, because although this novel can be read as a standalone, having met the myriad cast of characters in the previous novel made it much easier to understand the SEAL team and its members, the botched mission that forms the backdrop to Call to Engage, and the relationships between the characters. At its heart, this is second chance at love story, and I liked it marginally less than its predecessor, and it gets a 4-star rating from this reader.

The two principle characters are Elijah and Ava, who were once married and had a baby boy who died of SIDS (sudden infant death syndrome). When they met and married Ava was a socialite princess, raised by wealthy parents who totally disapproved of Elijah, a Navy SEAL, thinking him nowhere near good enough for their pampered princess. This couple's marriage was mostly sexual--they generate enough heat to run a power plant, and because of Ava's upbringing, she never really wanted to understand or discuss Elijah's job, his issues, the horrors he faced on a regular basis. She hated the fact that he wasn't home 90% of the time, and when he was home it was mainly about the sex, but losing their son while Elijah was out of the country and couldn't be reached for days ended their marriage and they divorced.

Four years later, Ava has moved on with her life. She still mourns the loss of their son, which she's never fully faced or dealt with, but has rebuilt her life on the physical rather than emotional--she's all about fitness and strength. She's taut, toned, focused and working at a gym owned by a cousin of Elijah's, Mack. She's an instructor in several self-defense disciplines, body building, strength training, yoga, meditation and massage, and she can kick butt and take names. There have been no men in her life since her divorce and that's just the way she wants it--no commitments, no regrets. She happy and content with her life, or so she tells herself, but that's about to change one day when she heads off to give a massage and the body on her table is Elijah's.

Elijah Prescott is a wounded warrior, an elite Navy SEAL in an even more elite unit of 12 such warriors, Team Poseidon. One of his legs had been severely burned when an op went south, and one of his comrades

betrayed both the team and his country by turning traitor. He's now experiencing night terrors and flashbacks and although he's been deemed ready to return to his unit, he requests 3 weeks off because although he'd love to get back to the job he loves, he knows that he's not 100% ready. Having no permanent home, he plans to spend that time with his buddy and cousin, Mack, and he's just as surprised to see Ava as she is to see him. He still harbors a deep love for his ex-wife, there's lots of emotional baggage they both carry, having never fully dealt with the loss of their child, and it's not long before these two end up in a just-for-now sexual relationship again. That's all Ava says she wants, but is it really?

In the foreground of this novel is the search for the SEAL turned traitor--is there only one traitor among them, or is an accomplice hiding in plain sight? The primary suspect hasn't been seen since the explosion that wounded Elijah and no one is certain whether he died in the blast or escaped. There's even some suspicion that Elijah may be a mole, but that's about to change. There's lots of action and suspense in the latter half of the novel, sometimes almost too much tactical material, as the team tries to get to the bottom of the mystery, plan a trap for the traitor and try to flush out the accomplice, and all those strategy sessions, in this reader's opinion, detracted a bit from the deeply emotional side of the story.

All in all, this was a very good and deeply moving read, with well-drawn characters and a compelling story line. As I mentioned at the outset, this is a series that should be read in the order written. I'm very much looking forward to reading the next installment in this series.

I voluntarily read an advance reader copy of this novel. The opinions expressed are my own.

Pj Ausdenmore says

Elijah and Ava never had any trouble communicating between the sheets. It was outside the bedroom where the difficulties began. The pampered, only child of wealthy, controlling parents, Ava was not prepared to be the wife of a Navy SEAL. In truth, she never tried to be, letting her fear and her mother's continual attempts to sabotage her marriage to Elijah rule her. When tragedy struck, instead of turning to her husband in their shared grief, Ava ran - from her pain, from her fear, and from her husband. Four years later, Ava may think she has her life together but until she faces the pain, loss, and fear that ended her marriage, she'll never be whole or completely happy.

Elijah Prescott is one of the good guys, putting his life on the line for his country and his SEAL teammates. He's moved on from the divorce he never wanted but he's never forgotten - or stopped yearning for - the only woman he's ever loved. Recovering from a serious injury in a mission gone wrong, Elijah has been cleared physically to return to duty. But the emotional scars of being betrayed by a friend and teammate who is still on the loose are slower to heal. A three-week leave sends Elijah to his cousin's gym in Napa and, unexpectedly, straight into the arms of his ex-wife. Will this be the second chance they need to right the wrongs of the past and move forward together or clear one another out of their systems for good?

Call to Engage packs sizzle, action, suspense, and a deep emotional punch into a story that kept me invested in these characters and their journey from beginning to end. Weber takes time with both Elijah and Ava, not focusing only on the off-the-charts sizzle between them (though I thoroughly enjoyed the sizzle!) but slowly unveiling the emotional minefields that undermined their marriage. Ava, in particular, has years of issues to confront before she will ever be wholly happy, whether with Elijah or on her own. Weber handles those issues with compassion in some cases, tough love in others, and no easy fixes, grounding her characters in the reality of grief, emotional upheaval, fear, desire, hope, acceptance, and love that many readers have faced and to which we can relate. Add in a traitor on the loose, a team of hard-bodied SEALs, and a life or death race to protect a child and you have another satisfying, heart-grabbing, breath-stealing winner from Tawny

Weber.

Though I had no trouble reading this book as a standalone, there are events that occur in book one, Call to Honor, which I believe would have made reading Call to Engage an even richer experience had I read them in order. I'm already looking forward to the next Team Poseidon book, Call to Redemption, scheduled for release on October 31.

Posted at The Romance Dish

Catherine (The Sassy Bookster) says

Call to Honor was a really great start to this series and this installment only confirms to me that this is definitely a series for the keeper shelf. CALL TO ENGAGE is filled with drama, intrigue, betrayal, passion and emotion, and of course the bonds of brotherhood the team shares which are sure to be tested again and again. Unlike the previous book that left me grinning from ear to ear, this one left me in a pensive mood, even though I really enjoyed it.

Lieutenant Elijah Prescott overcame the odds to recover from physically life-threatening injuries from his last mission, but emotionally he's still battered and bruised and needs some time off to get his head back in the game. Meeting his ex-wife for the first time in four years was not a part of the plan, especially with the pain and baggage from their marriage, but this may be the opportunity he needs to deal with their past loss and pain and get over it or try for a second chance with the only woman he's ever loved.

Ava Monroe was once a socialite concerned with shallow pursuits until she got a wakeup call from life that cost her a lot. She now lives a much simpler and controlled life but one encounter with her ex-husband has her jonesing for a taste of the passion that was never in short supply between them. Only, this time it will be on her terms and she will gladly walk away at the end of their interlude.

The only problem with this is that both Ava and Elijah have not dealt with the issues that destroyed their marriage four years ago or their feelings for each other and this may be their one chance to do so. With Elijah's team dealing with deadly betrayal from one of their own, the timing couldn't be more wrong but for Ava, it's revealed a weak, thoughtless and selfish side to her past self that did not give her husband what he needed.

I like that while the team drama is a major part of this book, the focus was actually on Elijah and Ava's relationship and the personal growth they had experienced since their divorce. Elijah made my heart hurt for him. The physical and mental wounds from the attack and the potentially career-ending rumors of his involvement in criminal activity were a lot to deal with, but when added to the personal loss he never dealt with, it just felt like a crushing weight. I'll admit that Ava was not my favorite character initially but she redeemed herself by the end of the book.

The revelations from their former team member only add more intrigue to the team's drama and I can't wait for the next book to find out what direction Ms. Weber takes the story in.

Disclaimer: I voluntarily reviewed a copy of this book. All opinions stated are solely mine.

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CLM says

For those who like romantic suspense involving a team of Seals - here is a link to my review:

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Diana says

review posted at: <http://booknerdloleotodo.blogspot.com>

Copy received from TLC BookTours for an honest review

Fun! Fun! and Fun! This was my first Tawny Weber book and my first Team Poseidon book. What an energy filled story with angst, and passion! First when the story begins, Lieutenant Elijah Prescott is in very bad shape. It's obvious that although his body has healed, mentally he is not over the disaster that was his last assignment. As part of one of the most elite teams in the Navy-Poseidon. Elijah has a huge responsibility to his team and to himself. When his team starts to question his capability the mental exhaustion really gets to him.

Ava Monroe is Elijah's ex. After their failed marriage, Ava has done everything possible to make sure that her life is tidy and kept. She has everything in control and wants no unexpected surprises. When she is reunited with Elijah she is flooded with all her old feelings and she soon discovers that she has been protecting her heart from the only person she has loved. This was a great second chance romance. There is definite romance and chemistry between Ava and Elijah it was satisfying to see them finally find each other.

Cathy Geha says

Call to Engage by Tawny Weber

Team Poseidon #2

This second chance at a HEA for Lieutenant Elijah Prescott "Rembrandt" and his ex-wife Ava Monroe has Elijah taking some R&R to think through the issues bothering him. Elijah and Ava never really talked things through before they divorced and it has festered as they moved forward with their lives. Ava is no longer a pampered princess and Elijah is not as sure as he once was. Add in the fact that the Poseidon team is looking for one of their team that turned into a traitor and you have the romance, the team, a mission and a lot going on. I wasn't thrilled with Ava but did like Elijah. I was glad that Ava finally matured a bit by the end of the book. I am looking forward to reading Nic's story next and believe that will wrap up the Team Poseidon trilogy.

Thank you to the author for the ARC – this is my honest review.

3.5 Stars

Heather says

4.5/5 - great military romance where old lovers find their way back to each other. Just the right amount of special ops blended with hot romance

Elaine says

I thoroughly enjoyed the first book in this series, Call to Honor, and jumped at the chance to read this sequel. Both stories are concerned with the men who form the Poseidon team of elite Navy SEALs, their interactions, what happens to them and their search to discover just who is betraying them..... Whilst this story could be read as a standalone, I believe readers will benefit from reading the series in order as

Elijah Prescott is one of the team. Life has been traumatic for him in recent years . . . his marriage ended in divorce not long after their baby son unexpectedly died, he's sustained serious burn injuries whilst in action and the whole team have been betrayed by one of them, something they're finding hard to accept. Elijah decides to take leave to give himself more time to recover from all that life is throwing at him and returns to stay with his cousin, Mack, who runs a gym. He didn't anticipate encountering his ex-wife so soon after returning, or to discover how much she's changed in appearance and attitude as she's now kick-ass hot - an instructor in the gym in many different aspects. As the two reconnect, their chemistry is still volatile but with the past something they still need to discuss and the mystery of who has betrayed the team, things aren't going to go smoothly for this couple.

This is an action packed story of a strong team of men striving to uncover treason, betrayal and deception whilst protecting those they love. It is fast paced with strong characters, hot action, uncertainty and plenty of twists and turns to keep the reader guessing in anticipation. The leading ladies all have their own strengths and are key to many events - and there's also a delightful young boy involved, too! Another enjoyable read from this talented author - I can't wait for the next book in the series to be available :)

Many thanks to the publishers for agreeing to gift me a copy of this book via NetGalley. This is my honest opinion after reading the novel.

Jennifer Becker says

I read an arc of this book in exchange for a review. I found the story dull and uneventful. normally the other stories flow better and keep my attention but this one wasn't my favorite.

Kristyn - Reading to Unwind says

I have become more of a Tawny Weber fan as I keep reading her books! So far her books have a great story filled with a lot of background and great swoon worthy relationships!!

This book follows Elijah who is recovering from a bad mission and trying to get his life back on track while figuring out what happened. Elijah is an elite Seal whose life has been dedicated to serving his country. This book also follows Ava who is Elijah's ex-wife. She is also working on getting her life back on track. Elijah

and Ava have a very sorted history that the author does an amazing job peeling back one step at a time.

This book is part of the Seal stories from Tawny Weber, but you don't need to read the entire series to follow along with the book. This can be read as a standalone with no issues as the previous characters are reintroduced.

The chemistry that the author creates with Elijah and Ava is awesome. It is a second chance romance, but it works for these two!! I am totally swoon worthy over Elijah. I love the bond that the author created between the two of them. The author created a hard backstory for the characters, but it really connected me and brought the characters to life.

The story flows very naturally for me and is easy to follow along with. The author does go into some military terms, but very brood and it doesn't feel overwhelming.

The story follows Elijah and Ava while trying to figure out their relationship, but also involves what happened with Elijah in the military. I loved that we got a romance with a mystery thrown in. I also enjoyed how the author brought all of the characters to life with great backstory.

I would suggest this as a perfect beach read over the summer. The story is very fast paced and easy to follow along with. I found it difficult to put the book down.

I received a copy of this book from Barclay publicity to provide an honest review. This does not affect my opinion of this book.

Sissy's Romance Book Review says

Book Review For: Call To Engage by Tawny Weber

Call to Engage by Tawny Weber My rating: 4 of 5 stars 'Call To Engage' by Tawny Weber is book Two in the "Team Poseidon". This is the story of Elijah and Ava. I have not yet read the previous book and do feel that I would have enjoyed this more if I had but overall I found this be be a exciting story. This was a second chance at love For Elijah and Ava. Both have changed so much since their marriage where they had to deal with a tragedy that they couldn't get past at the time. But this story tells of their "Second Chance at Love" . "My honest review is for a special copy I voluntarily read." <https://www.amazon.com/gp/profile/A2H...> <https://www.goodreads.com/user/show/1...> <https://twitter.com/soapsrus68> <https://www.facebook.com/RomanceBookR...> <http://sissymaereads.blogspot.com/> <http://booklikes.com/blog> <https://romancebookreviewforyou.wordp...>

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Heather says

This is the second book in the Team Poseidon series and is better read after the first book. It continues the story of the Poseidon's quest to find one of their own who betrayed them all. In the process we get to know Elijah who was severely injured in the betrayal and Ava. After a devastating tragedy, Ava divorced Navy SEAL Elijah Preston. But when circumstances bring them together again, old feelings resurface. This novel by Tawny Weber featured her trademark romance and suspense that are standard with her SEAL novels. A solid addition to the series and I look forward to more of Team Poseidon.

I voluntarily reviewed an ARC of this novel.

Helen says

This is the second book in this series and I am loving them MS Weber knows how to bring to life these SEALs who are driven by honour and strength and to protect, and they also know how to treat a woman. This is Elijah Prescott's story a time for Elijah or Rembrandt as he is called by the team to work out a few things that have gone wrong lately and to perhaps reconnect with the only woman that he has loved and he is going home to do so and what a journey it is sit back and enjoy.

Elijah has been injured and then the next mission was a bit of a disaster so it is time for him to head on home and get this sorted maybe catch a traitor and find his ex Ava the woman that he has never stopped loving and the woman he needs to sort out what went wrong before and that first meeting between them after four years is angsty to say the least but it does show that the spark is still there, now if only they can talk and with Elijah's cousin Mac helping push them together that spark is sure to light.

Ava Monroe has got on with her life after the sadness of what was a big part of their break-up and has changed her life dramatically she is no longer that person who was influenced by her parents and quiet, she is now strong fit and desiring Elijah in so many ways so she is going to let her bad girl out and enjoy a sensual fling for now it is just what she wants. But when there is danger from within the SEALs and Ava agrees to help this is pulling them closer in so many ways.

I did love this story there is so much happening and the love that has always been there between Elijah and Ava shows through danger and past hurt yes there were tears and smiles and big cheers as Ava stood up to the bad guy and let her feelings out. Another one for the keeper shelf and one not to be missed Team Poseidon are the best and I am really looking forward to Nic's story thank you so much MS Weber for hours of reading pleasure.

Gail Mitchell says

I love this series. Add a totally alpha male hero, an ass-kicking kick-ass heroine and a great cast of supporting characters and you get one awesome book. Can't wait for book #3 in this series.
