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The final book in the Sherlock Holmes/Lyme Regis trilogy, involving a man with murder on his mind, a shaggy dog, a ghost, a submarine and occasional brandies.

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Angela Swinson says

I am a huge Sherlock Holmes fan. Unfortunately, I read this book first instead of the others in the trilogy. However, I still enjoyed it and will go back and read the others. I hate reviews with spoilers, so I will just say that other Sherlock fans should enjoy revisiting their old literary friend in this series.

Dale says

The final book in this trilogy...

My thanks to Steve and Timi at MX Publishing for my reading copy.

Surprise, surprise, Watson got married again. I think that along with the three wives that William S. Baring-Gould mentions in his study of the canon, this makes at least four more that I have encountered. This is far from a new idea.

Watson and Beatrice invite Holmes to spent a short time in Lyme Regis. There are some Naval Trials that will take place offshore, and it looks more like war is on the horizon every day. Then a knife wielding maniac is on the loose. There is also the case of the ghost of a resident of the town with which to deal.

The book neither bored me nor was over exciting. It seems a bit weak to be the final anchor of a series. The short story has its merits, but is also a little weak.

I give this book three stars...

Quoth the Raven...

Pamela says

This is the final book of this trilogy. My only complaint is that I wish the original story was longer, and had no need for more shorter Sherlock filler stories. I enjoy this author, and his portrayal of Mr. Holmes. In this book, Dr. Watson has married again, after the death of his first wife. Mr. Holmes has retired to Sussex, to tend bees. The story evolves around a submarine, and war plans, that return everyone once again to Lyme Regis. I love Sherlock Holmes, and David Ruffle writes good stories, but I feel they are novellas, and not a full length book. That is why there are more than one story per book. It was a good read though.....

Mike Hogan says

The last book in the Lyme Regis trilogy has the properly period atmosphere, intricate plotting and authentic dialogue of the previous two books.

Watson invites Holmes to join him and his wife for a holiday in Lyme Regis. Holmes agrees, but suggests that Watson pack his service revolver - and the game is afoot.

Plans for a super post-Bruce-Partington submarine may be in danger of being purloined by agents of a foreign Power, the ghost of a long-dead Lyme Regis celebrity haunts the town, strange tokens appear threatening revenge and a knife-wielding fiend strikes!

As in the previous books, the town of Lyme Regis exerts a powerful influence on the writing; Mr Ruffle clearly enjoys describing its ancient streets and monuments and he does an excellent job of evoking its atmosphere.

If Mr Ruffle can restrain himself from inserting more fiends in human form into Lyme, I would be happy to visit the locations he so lovingly describes.

Sherlock Holmes and the Lyme Regis Trials is a fitting end to an excellent series. I'm looking forward to reading more of his Sherlockian books.
