

### Welcome To My Newsletter

Good morning/afternoon/evening one and all, from a hot and humid Salisbury, UK.

A big thank you to those of you who have signed up to my newsletter in the last month it's great to meet you, so to speak. I hope you're enjoying your free copy of 'Frozen To The Core'. Feel free to drop me a line and let me know what you think.

#### **Favourite Writers**

Reading wise, I was a late developer at school with absolutely nothing capturing my imagination, most of what we were reading in fact doing quite the opposite. It wasn't until I left school that quite by accident I got hooked.

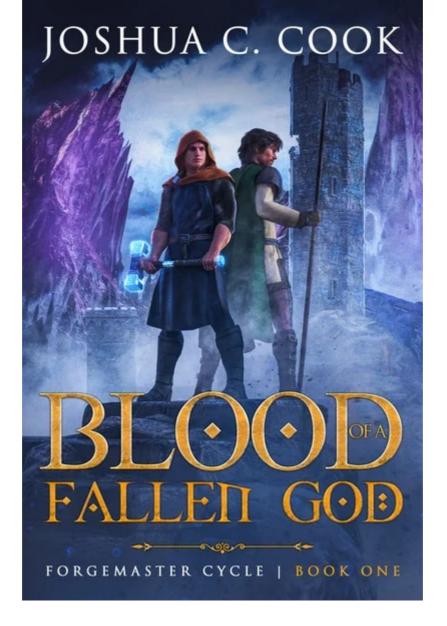
When in my late teens, I mistakenly ordered a Tom Clancy book... Debt of Honour. I was too lazy to return it, so it sat on my bedside table for weeks. Until one evening, when I picked it up and started to read it. Many hours later I put it down, only because I needed a few hours of sleep before I went to work. I was hooked. After finishing that, I went out and bought all the other Tom Clancy books I could find. It was also about that time that the Star Wars expanded universe books started to appear. I caught sight of the first one while working in a book shop in my role of service engineer. I can remember it clearly: Star Wars Heir to the Empire by Timothy Zahn. It had a striking blue cover with some of the Star Wars characters on it, and I had to buy it there and then, in the middle of doing my job, much to the amusement of the bookshop's owner. My love of the expanded universe has continued ever since, and as soon as the next book comes out... I have to have it. It seems my love of books goes in phases. If I have nothing to read, I wander around a bookshop until I find something I like the look of and then read it. If I get hooked, I go back and find other books by that author. Examples of this for me are Terry Goodkind and Christopher Paolini... I love all of their books. The detail, the plot, the characters... are just amazing. I can only dream of writing as well as they do. Other authors I've found and loved this way include Robin Hobb, J.V. Jones, David Gemmell and Trudi Canavan, to name but a few. I admire the way they use their imaginations and the worlds that they create on the pages of the book. They're all very easy to visualise.

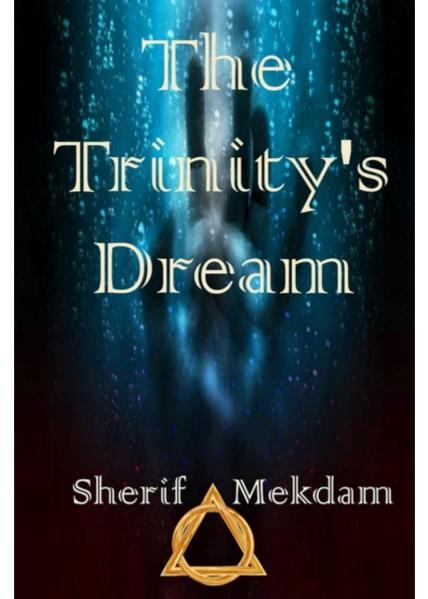
My favourite author of all though, is the wonderful Terry Pratchett. If you haven't read one of his books you really should. While I love pretty much all the books he's written, the ones about the guards of Ankh-Morpork, Captain Carrot, Sam Vimes, Corporal Nobbs, Angua and of course the Lord Vetinari, are easily my favourites. The characters themselves are described in magnificent detail, all with their own funny little ways. The plots twist and turn like a raging river, and the humour... well, let's just say that is exactly on my wavelength. I've cried with laughter on many occasions reading some of Terry Pratchett's books, and I can't recall doing that for any other author I've read. If you're a reading fan, you really must try one of his books.

### Other Books You Might Like



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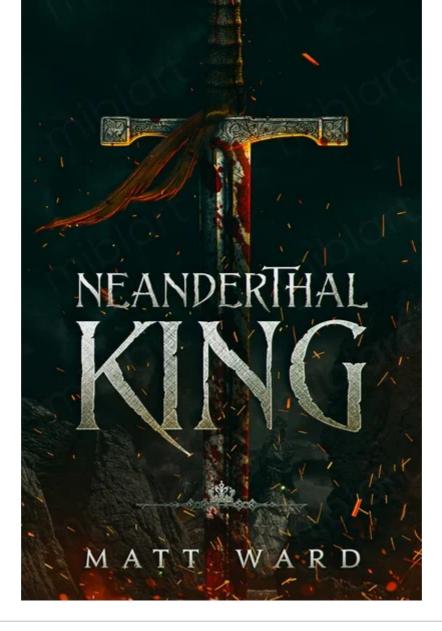


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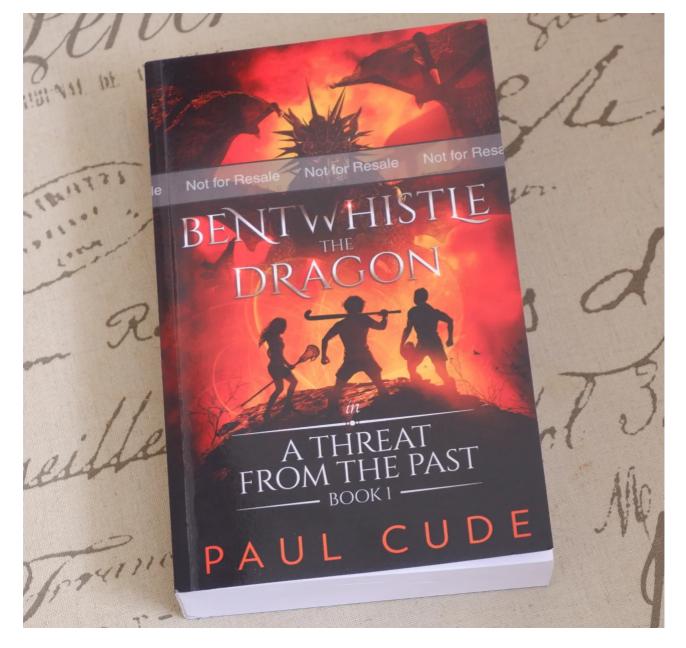


Having finished the writing part of book 5 in my series, 'A Fiery Farewell', as well as my part in the editing, I've moved on to writing book 6 which as yet remains untitled (I'm sure it will come to me at some point) and am doing my best in an attempt to write every day, but having gone so hard at it in finishing book 5, I have to admit that I feel exhausted. Hopefully I can keep up the same sort of pace through the editing process and make a real push in trying to get the writing book 6 done this year. It does look like a big ask though.

## Dragon Domainers

### All Things Paul Cude





If you'd like to get to know more about me, my books, my writing, what's going on in my life, with cover reveals and competitions, I'd be delighted if you joined my relatively new Facebook group, Dragon Domainers. Click on the image to ask for an invite - I'd love to get to know you better. This month's competition has on offer something I'm loathed to give away because of how rare it is. A signed proof copy of book 1 in my series with the old cover and a few notes inside.....I must be mad!



Over the last couple of months I've added the option for people in the UK to purchase signed copies of my books directly from me. You can find out more at my website: www.paulcude.com



Our evening viewing continues with the weekly episodes of Blue Bloods and The Blacklist, both of which I would rate as excellent, although The Blacklist with all its twists and turns seems to get ever harder to keep up with. Our latest dabble with something new to us on Netflix has been The Umbrella Academy. Despite the long intro and only ten episodes (they're making a second series) we really got into it, really not wanting it to be over by the time the end came around, which, by the way... is very interesting. Can thoroughly recommend it. For the moment I've run out of stuff to watch. If you have any suggestions, please let me know.

Despite the lockdown restrictions being lessened slightly, as a family we're still pretty much staying in, apart from an early morning run every few days and the odd walk here and there. The only place we have been out and about to as I keep mentioning is Martin Down nature reserve which for us is about a ten minute drive away. On one trip we found a fabulous field of poppies that we hadn't seen before, as well as plenty of butterflies and other insects. And the best bit is that the wild flowers haven't even come out yet. Won't be long though, and hopefully I should have some even better pics.







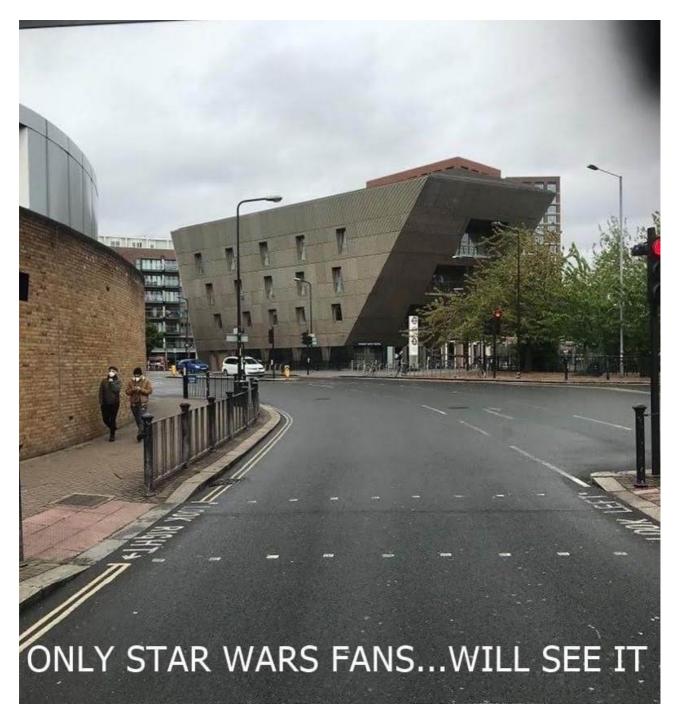
Here are a few of the promotions I'm involved with at the moment. By the time you read this, they'll be only a day or so to go with the Young Adult Friendly Fantasy and Sci-Fi, so jump in quick and check out all the great free ebooks available.







Finally, here are a few things that have caught my eye on the internet and made me laugh.







Until next time, stay safe and free from this rubbish virus and have a great month.

Paul

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