

January News from Cheyenne Blue

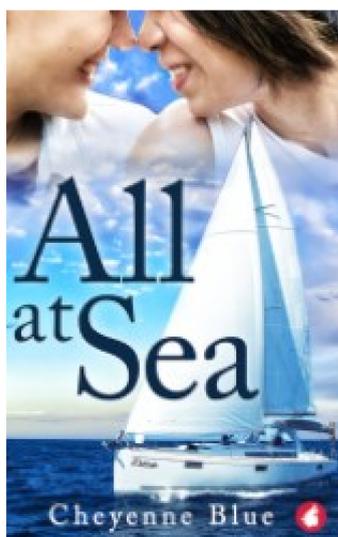
Hello everyone,

It's all about seasons isn't it. Sporting seasons, tax season, salt and pepper... Oh, wait, that's seasoning.

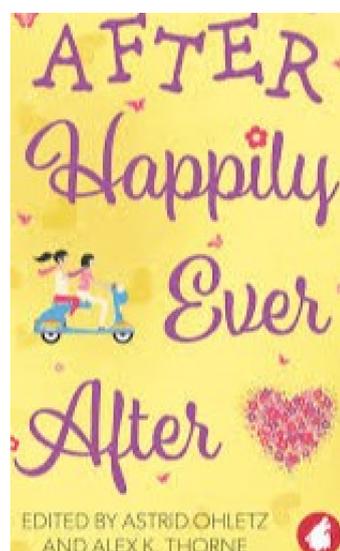
January in Oz is summer season, tradies' holiday season (seriously, try getting a plumber in January in Oz. They're all down the beach), mango season (yum), and bushfire season. I'm not going to talk about the last one. You either already know about it or you've been at the bottom of the ocean in a submersible for the last six weeks.

I'm down in Melbourne for a few days, which is why this newsletter is a little late. While I'm here for the saddest of reasons (a funeral), it is also good to visit a city I lived in for many years and have great memories of. Inner-city Melbourne is very different from rural Queensland, but it's still a great place to be. So great, that I'm going to be basing my book after the one after next (so three books away) in Melbourne.

But on to more immediate news.



I can now show you the cover for my next book, [All at Sea](#), which is



Ylva Publishing are putting out a new anthology in March, [After](#)

due out from Ylva Publishing in April. Here it is! If you squint, you can see some very important small details, such as the name of the yacht, and also that there's a black cat stalking the deck.

Here's the blurb:

Stevie Sterling is having a day from hell. Snubbed—yet again—by her unsupportive parents, she runs out on their posh party and takes refuge on a deserted yacht. Waking the next day with the world's worst hangover, Stevie finds herself far from shore.

As if being trapped on the yacht in only her party dress isn't bad enough, Stevie's frantic that she'll miss the first day of her new job as a nurse. She has so much to prove in her career—to herself and her parents.

The yacht's cute but unimpressed captain, Kaz Malone—an eco-warrior who hits the seas with Sinbad the cat—is on a mission: There's a nuclear-waste-dumping tanker to harass.

Kaz is as single-minded as she is stubborn and she's not about to turn around for some stowaway with a new job. Hell, no. Saving the planet comes first.

But perhaps there's more than one way to a destination? An enthralling, opposites-attract lesbian romance about what lies beneath.

[Happily Ever After](#). Eight of Ylva's established authors each wrote a short story based around one of their existing novels. There's stories of beyond the happy ending and, so I hear, one of the stories has a marriage proposal.

My story, *No Going Back*, takes one of the secondary characters from my tennis novel, *Code of Conduct*, and I'm telling a part of her story. But which character? Good question. Keep reading for a chance to guess and win an ebook.

The other authors in this antho are Jae, Alex Thorne, Leigh Winter, Roslyn Sinclair, Lola Keely, Chris Zett, RJ Nolan. *Et moi.* :)

This month seems to be all about tennis. After all, the Australian Open is on and there's tennis everywhere, including in the pages of *Code of Conduct*.

Do you want to win your choice of any of my ebooks? Take a guess as to which secondary character from [Code of Conduct](#) is the subject of my short story *No Going Back* in Ylva Publishing's upcoming anthology *After Happily Ever After*. I'll draw a random winner from the correct guesses, who will win their choice of book from my backlist. You can see the [full list here](#) (note that only my Ylva and Ladylit publications are on offer). Three other random correct guessers will each get a set of *Code of Conduct* fridge magnets (I'll post anywhere).

Haven't read *Code of Conduct* yet? Well, here's a cheat sheet for you. *No Going Back* is about one of these secondary characters. Take a look and have a punt. You've got a one in seven chance of being right. These are the options. Email your answer to me at iamcheyenneblue@gmail.com.

- Michi Cleaver - Viva's best friend and doubles partner. Michi's known for her quick mouth and pink hair.
- Jelena Kovic - up and coming Serbian player, and the subject of a subplot involving Viva's brother, Jack.
- Paige Westermeier - The American player who knocks Viva out in the quarterfinals of her U.S. Open title defence.
- Alina Pashin - Viva's nemesis, the one player she can never beat. Alina's a bit of a No-Friends-Nelly on the tour, due to her standoffish manner.
- Serena Williams gets a brief mention in the book. Want to place a guess on her? Be my guest. (But you'll be wrong).
- Irene - Gabriela's feisty umpire friend. Irene's got a cougar reputation and has her eye on Viva's coach, Deepak. Don't be too sure that knocks her out of contention though.
- And finally, for those who like a punt, I give you, at very long odds, Viva's mum, Lindy or Viva's agent, Shirley.

I look forward to your guesses.

Cheyenne xo

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