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Kylie thought her life ended months earlier when the night from hell turned her world upside down. Instead of finishing medical school, Kylie became an alcoholic. Her parents forced her into a rehab center, and when a strange new man shows up to group therapy, Kylie feels something for the first time in months.

It turns out the handsome stranger is none other than Daniel Ross, captain of the Seattle Sea Lions hockey team. He and Kylie are drawn to each other, each with a dark part of their past they'd rather forget. But will the fear of exposing themselves make them run from each other as well?

## **On Thin Ice Details**

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# From Reader Review On Thin Ice for online ebook

## Lauryn says

3.5 stars.

I really don't like this new trend of serial novels but this first part was pretty decent. Kylie and Daniel are in rehab together, which makes their relationship sort of complicated. There isn't much I can say plot wise that wouldn't be a huge spoiler since the book is super short, but being so short I thought the author did a good job of building the characters up, I want to know their stories and what makes them damaged. The forbidden love aspect is also a good one, and the build up will make it all the more better hopefully. I am interested to see where this story will go.

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## The Book Cove says

Rating: 3.5

For full review visit:<http://www.thebookcove.com/2013/09/re...>

What I liked: Besides my general dislike of some serial publishing (see below why this one in particular was a little aggravating - though it's my fault for not checking), *On Thin Ice* is actually a very good book. For it only being 15,000 words, it packs quite the punch. You have two damaged souls looking for escape and it happens to be in the one place that prevents such escape - a rehab center. And it's this very environment that provides the perfect tension development between Kylie and Daniel; having to find ways to sneak around yet completely deny their 'spark'.

I'm also a sucker for sports themes. No matter how big or small, if someone happens to be an athlete of some sort then their character becomes that more attractive to me. Especially because I think there's a certain mentality in sports that provides a good driving edge in stories; stubbornness, ruggedness, loyalty, pride...all of which are great qualities for characters to possess. It brings the realness out in them - a certain relatability that can otherwise be lost in translation.

What I disliked: *On Thin Ice* (#1) is part of a serial trilogy and 1 is a bit of a cliffhanger resultantly. Per the description, book 1 is 15,000 words and books 2 and 3 are 20,000 each. I went into this knowing and accepting this, however, it irks me that the remainder of the series is asking \$2.99 a book when they were all published within 6 days of each other (books 1 and 2 on June 14th, 2013 and book 3 on June 20th, 2013). I did not realize that they were all published that close together at the time of purchase. That's another discussion for another time - one that's been well debated (and essentially put to rest) by avid readers and reviewers alike.

Overall: *On Thin Ice* (#1) is a pretty good starter book. But, I don't understand why #1 and #2 would be published at the exact same time - other than a ploy for marketing. As much as I liked #1 and really want to see what happens in #2 and #3 - I'm refraining from purchasing them. I've had my weak moments where I've almost said screw it, but I'm sticking to my guns on this one. As much as I liked the story, I just don't think that the other two are worth it at this point. Perhaps later or if they come down in price.

Ratings:

Romance: building up for books 2 and 3 of the series. Book 1 does have some good "get to know you" bits.

Plot progression: Pretty well paced. Some spots felt forced and fast paced

Character development: Not a lot of background information yet. It's slowly being pulled out of the characters as Kylie and Daniels relationship develops.

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### **Danielle-Claude Mba says**

#### **I liked it!**

*this book is only 39 pages...I need more!*

That is my only issue. I like the story. It's a bit sad but it goes with the territory.  
My issue: where it ended. It was too much of an open ending.

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### **Bluejeanbby says**

good attempt at a romance, but it fell VERY short. it was too light to be a romance, by has potential. THE character we're very bland, the had the ability to be more but aren't.....it was also freaking short, which is why I'm not inclined to buy/ pay for the second book. this one just didn't intrigue me enough to continue on with the series.....sorry.

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### **Jordyn Danvers says**

I did not enjoy this book, and if it wasn't so short I probably wouldn't have finished it. I found the story, especially the dialogue, to be stilted and I wasn't able to connect with the main character, which is a big deal when it's a first person narrative. Much like Kylie kept looking at the second hand of the clock, I was looking at the number of pages left to read.

I gave the book 2 stars, as opposed to lower, because I truly like the concept of the story. I just wasn't happy with the execution. I hope the later books in this series will be better, but I'm afraid I won't really find out as I don't plan to continue with the series.

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### **Lauren says**

I am going to be completely honest when I say this: I really couldn't connect with this book, I don't know why. There is nothing at all wrong with the writing, but I felt like I had missed half of the story when I read this book, rather than what it is supposed to be, book 1. It was like starting a book half way in, and not being sure on what is going on. But at the same I would read book two to give it a chance.

Kylie has given up on life, she is in rehab for alcoholism and she has a past that makes her feel guilty about having a second chance. Suddenly a new patient is in rehab, ex hockey player Daniel. The pair soon start to become friends and spend time together. But the rehab rules state that patients cannot be involved with each other, with the rule and Kylie's guilt, will the two of them become more than friends?

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### **Jessie says**

This was an intriguing start to a story. I am definitely interested to see where it goes. I am a sucker for romances involving athletes..especially hockey players! Definitely going to keep my eyes open for others in this. It was a very short, quick read and because of its length I was left wanting to know what happens next...guess I will have to wait and see.

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### **Katie Stern says**

While the story was slow to get going, which I believe is due to it being broken up into different sections, I just couldn't get into it. Basically the story's main couple meet while they are in treatment for addiction. They are just starting a "friendship" when the story stops. OK - I guess I'm jaded from having worked as an addiction counselor because no romance created inside a treatment facility ever lasted and the whole "no dating each other while in treatment" might add a fun factor of something forbidden to the story. It just didn't work for me as the reader. The story falls a little flat and was hard to get into. And sorry to say I couldn't attach to the characters so have no desire to read any more of the editions to see what happens to them.

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### **Wendy says**

I love the idea of this book but I had two problems. One of them was we never really got a feel for the characters personalities just sort of blah. The other problem was the dialog between the two main characters it was so "proper" most of the time, even when they became "good friends". He's a hockey player for pete's sake, why so serious and stiff???

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### **Melody Gatto says**

I'm really interested in what Kylie did and want to see get and Daniel together, but really irritated i need to pay to get the next part of the book, and did i hear there are the parts? I would've been happier paying for them all at once, or at least finding out her background story and why she can never be happy, then decide if i want to follow her and Daniel's romance, then make that part two. I might read part two, I'd like to, it was a quick read, but now i have to wait till i can buy it

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### **Julie Comins says**

## **To be continued pisses me off**

When I start to read a book I expect the whole story to be there, I don't expect to get into the story and turn the page and find the words "To Be Continued" because I am not going to buy the rest of the story. If you had finished the story and there were stories about some of his team mates I might have bought those or stories about other people in treatment with them I might have bought those, now I won't buy anything from this author unless I do it by mistake

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## **Kayla Eklund says**

I really enjoyed this book. I will have to buy the second novella sometime soon.

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## **Sienna Logan (Lost to Books) says**

This was an OK read but like so many of the free novellas I've downloaded, it is used as a hook to try and persuade you to buy the rest of the series. The story line was a lot different to what I expected and based on the cover alone I would not have guessed any of it was to do with rehab with hardly any romance.

Like most novellas though this moves at a quick pace and is a short read that's good for breaking up time. I would have liked more background, romance and for it to be longer as the premise is interesting. However it was too short for me to consider purchasing the rest. If they were in a box set maybe, but I don't feel I get enough for my money when they are sold separately.

Still, it's OK for a freebie if you're looking for a quick read.

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## **Angela says**

First off, I don't know what the title and the cover had to do with anything. It's totally unrelated to the story.

I'm not sure there was any real potential in this story, but it was a poor execution nonetheless. Both Kylie and Daniel have a "dark" past which results in their meeting in rehab. They are instantly attracted to each other and blah blah blah.

The characters are *very* undeveloped, although they can only be developed so much in just 39 pages. I disliked that neither Kylie nor Daniel's past is revealed. I mean, at the very least those should be included. But no, neither of them wanted to talk about it. \*rolls eyes\*

*On Thin Ice* is very... hollow, if you will. There wasn't much of a plot and everything was pretty dull. I had issues with the writing too - there were MANY grammar mistakes and the writing style itself doesn't appeal to me.

Overall, *On Thin Ice* is a very short novella devoid of sustenance.

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**Ashley says**

Kylie is in a rehab center for alcoholism that started after some sort of accident. She has no intention of ever leaving the place, that is until she meets Daniel who checks in for pill popping. Can the two of them start to heal each other?

I love the characters and the background of the story. The plot is decent and well written. The book flowed smoothly and the pace was great. But it definitely leaves you wanting more from the book. I didn't realize this was a serial or series and it ends with lots of questions. I look forward to grabbing the next book to find out what happens next!

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