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246.

That's the number of women I've shagged in the last twelve months.

I'm Ryder Stevens.

Don't pretend you don't know me. I'm a god.

I'm hot, I'm British and I take what I want. I'm also the number one ranked tennis player in the world. But it's my off court antics that gain the most attention. I cruise through life, running from one scandal to the next. Hell I can't even take a piss without the world knowing about it.

Rules? Who gives a shit?

Rules are there to be broken and I'm the king of breaking them.

But even the king can be bought to his knees. I'm sidelined with an injury that changes everything.

Maybe my life isn't so perfect after all...

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**Patty Belongs To Kellan~Jesse~Lautner~Miller~Jack~Racer~Rafe~Liam~Prince  
Nicholas~Hayes~Simon~Gianluca & Archer says**

\*\*\*\*\*FIVE STARS\*\*\*\*\*

(ARC Kindly Provided by Author in Exchange for an Honest Review)  
{BR with Mel and Dee}

I was so honored to be given an ARC by Missy Johnson. I had read "**Seduced**" a while back and absolutely loved that one. So I knew I was in for a treat with "**Wildcard**"!!

Ryder Stevens is a British Pro Tennis player with a "Bad Boy" reputation. He parties hard and loves to hook up with a different woman every night. During a night of debauchery, Ryder ends up with an injury that has him sidelined from the game for a bit.

His buddy suggests he read some of the fan mail he's received in order to pass the time. Ryder stumbles upon an interesting letter from a seven year old boy in Chicago, named Jake Calera. The boy pretty much calls Ryder out on all his bad behavior and Ryder is intrigued enough to call the boy, but gets Scarlett, his mom, instead. She's got the same amount of spunk that the boy has and Ryder seems to eat it up.

The two end up having numerous phone calls and Ryder enjoys their chats. Scarlett challenges him to do selfless things for others to prove he's not the immature man whore that he's portrayed as in the tabloids.

He learns that Jake has cystic fibrosis and that there is a Doctor in London that is running a Clinical Trial on an experimental drug that may help him. He is able to pull some strings and soon Scarlett and Jake are on a plane to London to meet with the Doctor.

The attraction is undeniable once the two meet face to face.

I loved seeing the feelings between Ryder and Scarlett develop.

A woman has never affected Ryder the way that Scarlett has. Whenever they were together, he acted as if he worshiped her. I was quite smitten with Ryder.

**I'm not used to the empty feeling that I have in the pit of my stomach. I'm trying to convince myself that it doesn't matter. This--whatever it is--cannot go anywhere. We are too different. We have completely different lives. We live in different countries, for God's sake.**

There are a couple of panty soaking scenes and there is a cliffy at the end but book two will release within a few weeks of this one, in late September and then book three comes out in early October.

I can't wait to find out what is in store for these two. I am completely hooked and crazy for Ryder!!

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### **Lisa Jayne says**

Review to come ...

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### **Christy says**

**4 stars!**

I love a story about a bad boy. You know the type... the jerks, the manwhores and the cocky assholes. There is just something about them, that when they redeem themselves it's that much sweeter.

Ryder Stevens has all those qualities... manwhore (I've slept with around 250 women this year...)- Check. And cocky asshole- Check.

“There has to be a point when you think why do I keep playing this when I know I’m always going to win? Where’s the incentive? Where’s the drive?”

Ryder is the best of the best when it comes to tennis, and he knows it. He doesn’t take it seriously, but he doesn’t have to. He wins regardless of the late night partying and all the women.

After his wild ways finally catch up with him, Ryder is stuck nursing an injury right before a match. An injury he got while entertaining women (not woman) and one that will put him out of the game for a while.

While living with complete boredom, Ryder decides to finally go through some fan mail. He finds a letter from a little boy in the states who is sick. This kid lets him have it, so he decides to call. Not reaching the little boy, but his mother he notices the apple doesn’t fall far from the tree. Scarlett (Jake’s mother) is a feisty one too. She’s not afraid to tell Ryder exactly what she thinks of him. For some unknown reason, these two click. Over phone calls, Skype, etc. Scarlett is the first person who challenges Ryder to be better, who calls

him out on his b.s. and tells him how it is.

"I enjoy talking to you." I smile because that is the first time she's actually admitted it. I think she realizes it too, because she's blushing. Again.

"I mean, you're not a complete asshole," she adds.

Before he knows it, he finds himself wanting to be a better person, to try to help people like she wants. Ryder is making changes, and he knows it's all because of her. Ryder has it bad for Scarlett, but things are different with her. His feelings are different.

My heart is pounding as I stare at her. She is stunning. Her huge green eyes twinkle as she smiles, and I can't help but smile back. I haven't felt this way about someone in a very long time.

I love the chemistry between Ryder and Scarlett. I love all their back and forth banter. I think they are great together. But how could things between them work? She has a sick kid and lives overseas. It's not exactly a convent relationship...

**I'm not used to the empty feeling that I have in the pit of my stomach. I'm trying to convince myself that it doesn't matter. This--whatever it is--cannot go anywhere. We are too different. We have completely different lives. We live in different countries, for God's sake.**

While reading the first 20% or so of this novella, I was nervous. I wasn't sure where the story was going or if I was going to like it. I have to say, I was so pleasantly surprised. I loved the direction the author took with Ryder and the story. The ending was a shock- a bit of a cliffhanger, but nothing too bad. I'm anxious to read the next one and see if my thoughts are correct about what's going on!

Overall, I found *Wildcard* to be very entertaining, sexy and fun. There was one part, that included Ryder and his mom that I laughed so hard I almost cried. But it wasn't all laughs- I also loved the message it delivered and the growth Ryder experienced while still keeping some of that delicious bad boy intact. I think this series has loads of potential and I'm excited to see how the rest of it goes!

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**Deanna♥Pink Lady♥? says**

## 4 Bad Boy Stars

Love a story about a bad boy!! One that is self-destructive, cocky, sexy, and is a 24 yr old can't lose tennis phenome. Meet Ryder Stevens. He is all those things and he knows it. He loves tennis but he loves an evening of rough and sweaty sex as well. The more he wins the more wild his behavior becomes and the night before the French Finals, Ryder messes up. He ends up sidelined from playing both on and off the courts for an extended period of time.

While resting, Ryder reads his fan mail. He gets one from a sick little boy who calls him out on his shenanigans- he tells him that **he's a butthead** and he is now and xfan. Ryder reaches out to Jake and gets his mother, Scarlett, who pretty much hangs up on him. Ryder's persistence and charm wins Scarlett over. They begin to talk over the phone and through their banter, a friendship develops. She gets Ryder thinking, not just of himself but of others. She brings out a better Ryder. Her son Jake has cystic fibrosis. Ryder brings Jake and Scarlett to England for a possible spot in a clinical trial with a new CF drug. Doing things for others is a new concept for Ryder but one that he starts to enjoy. Once Scarlet and Ryder meet face to face, they can't deny the chemistry that has developed over their conversations.

Where is this friendship and obvious chemistry going between the two? Ryder decides to come to the states to surprise Scarlett and Jake.....what he gets is a Big Fat WTF Moment!!! Thank goodness that volume 2 comes out pretty quickly. I can't wait to hear Scarlett's explaining!!!

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This is part one of a SERIAL. Wildcard: Volume One  
Volume 2 and 3 will be released late Sep and early Oct.

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### Dee Montoya says

\*\*\*\*4.5 Bad Boy Stars\*\*\*\*

*(Arc kindly provided by author in exchange for an honest review)  
(BR with Mel and Patty)*

Ryder Stevens is the "Bad Boy" of tennis. After one wild night of partying in the hot tub, he gets a bad injury that has him bedridden for a few weeks, putting his career on hold. Ryder is going crazy from the loss of his independence and one day he's so bored he decides to answer some of his fan-mail. He finds the letter of a little boy who's sick and in his letter to Ryder the boy expresses his disappointment on the athlete for his selfish and irresponsible behavior. The injury is forcing Ryder to re-evaluate his life and in hopes to make things better he reaches out to the boy, but it won't be as easy as the kid's mother knows exactly who Ryder is and wants nothing from him.

This Bad Boy is relentless and continues to call everyday, eventually making friends with Scarlett and her son, who is sick with Cystic Fibrosis. After a few weeks of conversations on the phone, Ryder decides he wants to help Scarlett and her son, so he flies them both to London for a new study that might save the kid's life. A few days after they arrive, things get hot and heavy between Ryder and Scarlett; there are no promises about the future, they are just enjoying the moment but is not long before she has to go back home to Chicago. Will the sexy playboy realize he wants more than a fling with Scarlett and fight for her or does he stay the same selfish, serial dater he's known for?

This book ends on a really WTF??? cliffhanger, but surprisingly instead of making me mad, like cliffys usually do, this one just has me craving for the next book. I wasn't a huge fan of Ryder in the beginning because he was very immature and a total man-whore, but I think the author intended his character to be like that so the reader could appreciate his change more. The plot was clever and entertaining, my only issue with the book and the reason why I couldn't rate a full five stars, was (view spoiler)

I really enjoyed this story, and I can't wait to read what happens next....

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### **Jennifer Kyle says**

This is first book of a three part series and it was a good fast read. Ryder Stevens is the top ranking tennis player in the world. He is British and a complete bad boy off the court. He has reached a point in his career where he's just plain bored.

***"There has to be a point when you think why do I keep playing this when I know I'm always going to win? Where's the incentive? Where's the drive?***

Ryder has bedded nearly two hundred and fifty women in the past twelve months and is having a blast never worrying about his reputation or any impact on his career, he's just having a good time.

When a hot tub injury occurs our playboy is not only seriously injured but embarrassed and humbled. He comes across a fan letter from a sick young boy and realizes that he doesn't like how this young boy views him so he makes contact with him and his mother, Scarlett. Jake is sick, his mom is hardworking and fun for Ryder to speak to and slowly they build an easy rapport as well as Ryder opening the doors for a clinical trial that perhaps will help young Jake.

Scarlett and Jake arrive and Ryder is completely taken by both of them and for the first time is in no rush to score. When Scarlett and Jake return home Ryder makes a big play with his heart.

***"God I hope she's happy to see me."***

This story ends with a cliffhanger and this series will proceed as follows:

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Books 2 and 3 will be released late Sep and early Oct.

Books 1 and 2 will be 99 cents, book three will be \$2.99

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### **Missy Johnson says**

COMPLETE serial is now live!!

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### **MELISSA \*Mel Reader\* says**

4.5 I Feel More Alive Than I Ever Have Stars!

(ARC provided by author)

(BR with Patty & Denisse)

Ryder Stevens is a 24 yr. old British player who sleeps around, and enjoys the company of many women. He is a professional tennis star, known as the bad boy of tennis, and his wild behavior gets plenty of attention from the media. He has lately become more famous for his antics off the court.

Tennis has been Ryder's life for the past 18 yrs., and he has become bored with it. He is ranked the #1 tennis player in the world, & doesn't feel challenged anymore. Ryder is in France for the finals of the French Open,

but he is more interested in his social life and his next lay.

When an unexpected accident injures Ryder the morning of the French Open, his tennis career is put on hold. He is sidelined, and stuck in Paris. He is miserable being stuck in bed, & wishes he was back home in London. He just lays there with plenty of time to think & evaluate his life. Things have always been easy for him, and he is used to getting his way. He has enjoyed spending more time with his family, but hates being dependent on others, and is frustrated he can't do his favorite thing...have sex! ;))

Most of the world sees Ryder as a wealthy, spoiled, immature, shallow, arrogant playboy. This includes a sick 7 yr. old boy from Chicago named Jake that sends Ryder a letter basically letting him know what a loser he is because he's wasting away his life. This letter really gets under Ryder's skin & upsets him. He hates the way the boy views him, & tries to contact the boy. He gets the mother instead. Her name is Scarlett Caleras.

They begin talking on the phone and become friends. Eventually the friendship grows into more, and Ryder finds himself wanting to be a better person. He starts re-thinking his life including tennis. All of a sudden tennis has lost its magic for him, & he's not sure what he wants for his future. Just as this rule breaking hottie is finally calming down his wild side & figuring out what he wants, everything blows up in his face, & we get a nice little cliffy. When I first started this book, I really didn't like Ryder, but by the end of the book I loved him! This is the first book I've read by Missy Johnson & I am definitely a fan & can't wait for book 2! :D

-I could spend my whole day talking to you.

-God, she feels so amazing. She's absolutely intoxicating. I can't focus with her around me.

-It's been a long time since I've had anyone look at me like that."

-I can't stop staring at her because she is so fucking breathtaking.

-I can't deny that I feel something for her, and it's enough for me not to want to rush this.

-God, I am addicted. I could do this all fucking day.

-"You're are amazing, Ryder."

-I smile, because all I want to do every time I set eyes on her is smile.

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## **Amy | Foxy Blogs says**

**LIVE-> <http://amzn.to/1rJyNCk>**

I was super excited when I saw that this book was about a **bad boy of tennis**. In my glory days, I was known for my tennis skills. I still have my racquet (white frame with *purple* strings) from when I ruled the courts . To complete my tennis look I had Andre Agassi's, the bad boy of tennis in the 90's, picture taped to my water container. \*swoon\*

Early on in **WILDCARD** there is a hot tub scene that had me stopping to come on GR to see what genre this book was listed under. I thought I had gotten myself into something I wasn't prepared for. \*lol\* Luckily, for me this was listed as NA genre and it held to that genre.

### **ONE MISSTEP CHANGES RYDER'S LIFE**

**Ryder** is known to the world as an immature, self-righteous womanizer who has no respect for the game of tennis. After an unfortunate event that leaves Ryder pondering what to do with his time off he comes upon something that leads him to **Scarlett**. Scarlett is a single mom who works full time and has a 7 year old with cystic fibrosis. Once these two connect the story takes a big turn in the direction it was heading.

Holy smokes...that's quite a cliffhanger. I'm excited to find out what's going to happen next. I love the anticipation of waiting for the next book.

**WILDCARD** is an enjoyable, fun novella. I even had some laugh out loud moments while reading this book. Being a mom of a boy I hope I never experience with my son what Ryder's mom had to, one scene in particular, with Ryder. \*lol\*

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### **SERIES:**

Volume One - releases on 9/3/2014 | Volume two - releases on 9/16/2014 | Volume three - releases on 9/30/2014

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## **Nikki says**

### **4 Love me some Tennis balls..balls..balls, oh just balls, Stars!**

So this book centers around Ryder Stevens, a male tennis superstar, #1 on the court, and #1 off the court..in

terms of kill count. He never met a kitty he didn't like and has earned himself quite the bad boy reputation. He be like...

Well the night before his huge finals match, he decides to get all sorts of freak nasty x 4....

Let's just say, things don't work out quite the way he wanted it too.

In his downtime, he ends up finding a very honest fan letter about his behavior from a little boy that wishes he could do the simple things in life that Ryder appears to take for granted. From there, we are introduced to Scarlett, the boy's mom, and they strike up the most unlikely of friendships.

The story is super fast paced, its a serial so duh. But I really liked both the MC's. Ryder wasn't a douche, he was just kind of self-absorbed and had major bad luck. When his charmed life was taken from him, only then did he realize how empty his life was. Scarlett, on the otherhand, has so much crap to deal with in her reality, and having a sick child on top of that, she doesn't put up with shit. I loved her sassy attitude and I loved their back and forth banter. She was really strong **BUT...**

One thing did get on my nerves...I didn't like that she was sightseeing around Paris and Ryder's cock, while her son was laid up in the hospital. I know, it's a book, no fun if she is stuck there, but I would have changed that element somehow. I had to knock a star for that. I just thought it was very weird, mama bear speaking.

I really did enjoy this book, it was well written, and it sucks ya in big time. I am dying to read the 2nd part, cause like all serials, you're heading right offa that cliff, gah!

\* Meli Mel \* says

4 STARS

A horizontal row of 15 black dots, evenly spaced, used as a visual separator or decorative element.

*'There has to be a point when you think why do I keep playing this when I know I'm always going to win? Where's the incentive? Where's the drive?'*

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Ryder is the British tennis star playboy the media can't seem to stop talking about. And it seems that what they are saying about him has nothing to do with his tennis career. Nope. The media loves talking about his womanizing reputation and his late night sexcapades.

I will admit that at first, Ryder was not very likable to me. He seemed a little too arrogant and a little too careless and irresponsible. But, he was honest to himself by being that way. He wasn't trying to pretend to be something he wasn't. He was enjoying life, women, and being free. Things changed for Ryder when he suffers a back injury from falling off of a hot tub. He then ends up bedridden for a month and missing his Tennis game final.

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I smile because that is the first time she's actually admitted it. I think she realizes it too, because she's blushing. *Again.*

**"I mean, you're not a *complete* asshole," she adds.**

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He is not one to keep still and do nothing. So, after becoming bored and having nothing to do, he decides to answer some of his fan mail. This is when he read a letter from a little boy who once looked up to him and how disappointed he is in his behaviour. Ryder starts to reflect and realizes he doesn't want to be seen that way by this little boy and decides to contact him and have a chat. Unfortunately, the little boy's mother, Scarlett will not allow it, at all. Ryder is not one to give up and calls frequently to talk to him. As time goes by, Scarlett and Ryder become almost friends.

It's funny how I actually liked Scarlett at first, and not Ryder, and how that changed by the end of the book. Scarlett seemed like a strong, independent, single mother to her sick son, who has Cystic Fibrosis. I liked that she didn't let Ryder treat her like he did his bevy of women. In fact, Ryder changes a lot as the book progressed. He became more down to earth. I actually ended up liking him. Ryder wanted to help them out so he reaches a specialist of Cystic Fibrosis who might possible help save the little boy's life. He has Scarlett and her son fly out to london to see if anything can be done for the boy.

**'I'm not used to the empty feeling that I have in the pit of my stomach. I'm trying to convince myself that it doesn't matter. This--whatever it is--cannot go anywhere. We are too different. We have completely different lives. We live in different countries, for God's sake.'**

The story was unique and fast paced. It was really entertaining. I liked seeing Ryder grow a bit from his old ways. He was no longer a jackass by the end of this. There were a few things that bothered me however, which is why I could not give this five stars. I personally felt that the relationship between Scarlett and Ryder developed way too fast. I also didn't like the fact that she was with Ryder in london instead of being at her

son's side at all times in the hospital. She always said that her son was her priority, but didn't really show it with her actions. Despite that, I really did enjoy this. And the cliffhanger ending...I totally did not see that coming. I was left with my mouth hanging open and I can not wait to read the next part. Overall, a great short read.

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### **Shannie's ??Lookin' 4 My Next BFF?? says**

#### **5 I Wanna Join the "I've Fucked Ryder Stevens' Fan Club" Stars!!**

*"246.....the number of women I've shagged. I'm Ryder Stevens. Don't pretend you don't know me. I'm a god."*  
*I'm hot, I'm British, and I take what I want."*

Well, Missy Johnson, you sold me with that blurb. I **HAD** to meet Ryder because I have a thing for notoriously cocky assholes. **Ryder Stephens** is the #1 ranked tennis player in the world; it's too bad that the Paparazzi is more interested in his after game activities. Ryder's latest extra-curricular antic has left him injured and unable to play for the next few months. While trying to find something to do with his time, he decides to reach out to Jake Calera. Jake is a little boy who wrote Ryder a letter calling him out on his playboy ways. When Ryder decides to call Jake, he ends up speaking to Jake's mother, Scarlett.

**Scarlet Calera**, is a single mother and trying to make ends meet. Scarlet isn't about to fall for the flirty playboy on the other end of the phone. She puts him in his place.

*"Everything in that damn letter was true. You are an immature, self-righteous womanizer, and I'm proud that my son was able to come to that conclusion himself."*

Scarlet challenges Ryder to do three *self-less* acts and then she will continue to talk to him. I loved seeing the kinder side of Ryder and watching him start to have feelings for someone he hadn't even seen only talked to. I also loved being able to witness his playboy antics. We were able to see both sides in this first volume and I gotta say I'm crushing on both.

The ending of this volume left me in shock!! I did **NOT** foresee events unfolding that way. I'm looking forward to the next volume which will be out in another week or so!!

**Volume 2 will be out tomorrow, 9/17!!!!**

*\*\*A gifted copy of this book was received by the fabulous Missy Johnson in exchange for an honest review. Thank you so very much, Missy. ❤?*

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**SueBee★bring me an alpha!★ says**

**★★★★! Wildcard, Volume 1 of 3. A hilarious, sexy, feel-good & sweet romance about a tennis star who falls on his ass & meets a regular girl!**

*“They love me. Everyone does. I’m the bad boy of tennis.”*

These novellas should be read in order:

**Part 1: Wildcard: Volume I**

**Part 2: Wildcard: Volume II**

**Part 3: Wildcard: Volume III**

**Wildcard, Volume I** introduces us to British star tennis player **Ryder Stevens** the day before his **finals in the French Open**. Having played tennis since he was six years old; his talent, hard work and determination has catapulted him to the **number 1 spot in the world**.

Win after win, Ryder is on top of the world. But with that has come a **lack of challenge and boredom**. His good looks and penchant for fucking has brought tons of women and for the past year he has **found a new way to challenge himself**:

*“If I can win with the world’s worst hangover, exhausted after God knows how many orgasms, then that’s gotta say something about my natural ability, right?”*

**Everything is going splendidly;** French Open is in the bag. Almost anyways as he heads out for **another night of debauchery**. Well..... LOL! Things don’t go exactly as planned and so for the next many weeks **Ryder finds himself bed written, bored and sexually frustrated**.

In replying to a **fan, a sickly boy in the US** he encounters his feisty and witty young mother, **Scarlett Calera, Scar**. And so a **long distance flirtatious friendship** ensues. Story goes onto follow them in their budding romance as **fate opens the door for them to meet....**

Seven words to describe **Ryder Stevens**: Charming, jaded, driven, blasé, dogged, noble and reflective.

Seven words to describe **Scarlett Calera, Scar: Witty, smart, nurturing, unassuming, strong, resourceful and mysterious.**

**Wildcard, Volume I** has an engaging plot. My only wish would have been for Ryder to *sound more British*. Needless to say it ends with a **shocking cliffy** – someone's **got some “s’plainin”** to do. I can’t wait for part 2, **Wildcard: Volume II** for the **continuation** of their story.

Story offers the **perfect blend** of **sweet** romance, **witty** bantering, **hilarious** situations and... of course some **very sizzling** moments. Overall a **funny and feel-good read!**

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Hero rating: 4 stars

Heroine rating: 4 stars

Sexual tension rating: 4.5 stars

Sex scenes rating: 4.5 stars

Sex scenes frequency: 4 stars

Plot rating: 4 stars

Dialogue rating: 3.5 stars

Storytelling rating: 4 stars

Story ending rating: N/A

Book editing rating (5 = no edits spotted): N/A

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**Overall rating: 4 stars**

**Would I recommend this series: Yes.**

**Would I re-read this series: Maybe later.**

**Would I read future books by this author: Yes.**

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♥ Jx PinkLady Reviews ♥ says

**Ryder Stevens you showed me your man-whore ways and your inner self, I LOVE you!**

Ryder is a 24 year old British Tennis champion.

He's a no commitment kind of chap who's a super star and gorgeous, so of course, the ladies flock to him. He's a lover of all beautiful women and their sensuality, and LOVES to party. Winning is not enough for Ryder, he has to prove he can win whatever his shenanigans.

His Britishness

I love, love this story BUT the guy is British and sometimes he thought American words.... eeeek. He has an

American best friend, but even so, us Brits do not say things like bills, purse and bellhop in the way they were used, that's a fact. I found his humour to be Brit-like with his sarcasm and I *really* like that he wasn't over-the-top British, there's nothing worse than a cliché, but I'd have enjoyed the full package to make this character truthful. The good news is many people will not notice, equally, however, it's a shame they'll miss out on the British-ism feelings. *\*\*Note~I read the arc version and elements of this may have altered.*

One of the things I really like about this story is that we're not just told that Ryder is a womanizer who puts himself about; we're actually shown and get a small glimpse into his wild lifestyle. "**Am I really that bad a guy?**" Well.... Ryder you're egotistical, self absorbed and you think money solves *everything*. Equally, you have a wicked sense of humour and showed me your vulnerable side. You made me fall in love with you.

The womanizing and the partying are a small part of the story.....

What happens when the *I-can-never-lose* tennis star has an injury?

What happens when a young boy calls him out on his behaviour?

What happens when the young boys American mother challenges Ryder to change his ways?

*What happens when they meet?*

**I love the growth and development of Ryder and the way he worked his way into my book heart.**

There were a couple of moments when I laughed out loud, and as you'd expect, there are lots of sensual, sexy moments. It kept me smiling, and was a highly entertaining, lovely read. **The ending?** There is a small cliff-hanger, but I love the excitement of that and wondering what's coming next? **I can't wait for the next installment and would highly recommend getting on board with this series. They are released in very quick succession.**

**Wildcard is Part one of a new three part serial**

<http://amzn.com/B00MR2MK98>

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Part Two 16th September

Part Three 30th September

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**Mysza says**

Well, well, well.... I was pleasantly surprised by this one. It was funny, cute, entertaining, sweet and sexy.

Ryder is the top tennis player, he is the best and wins it all, he is so good that the achievements doesn't enjoy him anymore. He is also a womanizer, but he is not a prick, yay! Can you believe that? Sure, he is cocky, confident and arrogant but still charming when with women. On one of his sexcapades he is injured and thus forced to stay in bed for far more than he would like too. Sexually frustrated and bored, he comes across a letter from a young, sick fan named Jake, he makes a call and this is how he meets Jake's mother Scarlett. Daily phone calls and skype conversations are soon the highlight of the day. They slowly build a friendship based on mild flirting and sexy banter. When the fate opens the door for them to meet in person, Ryder is more than eager to make that happen. But not only because he wants to see Scarlett but mainly because he really wants to help little Jake. It certainly got him some points from me.

When Ryder and Scarlett meet, they are funny and adorable together, they make some quality time in bedroom too!

Anyway, I really enjoyed this one and will certainly be waiting for the next part. But that ending....whoa! I need explaining now, damn you Missy Johnson for leaving me hanging like that;) I guess I will be bold by September the 22nd.

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