

# Deepings Literary Festival

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Following the enormous success of the first Deepings Literary Festival in 2017, the line up for May 2019 includes a wonderful array of some of the UK's best-loved and popular contemporary authors. Once again venues across The Deepings will open their doors to host four days of talks and conversations about books — and writing them. Food is on the festival menu too with coffee and cake, a fish and chip supper, prosecco and canapés, afternoon tea, strawberries and cream and a Sunday Brunch all on offer as part of the exciting programme.

The star event is a Black Tie Gala Dinner with broadcaster and *Strictly Come Dancing* star John Sergeant.

Tickets for all events are on sale from the Stamford Arts Centre, either online or at the box office in Stamford. [www.stamfordartscentre.com](http://www.stamfordartscentre.com)  
Telephone: 01780 763203

You can also book tickets through Deepings Community Library.

*Enter the world of wordcraft*

## Deepings Community Library

Wade House, High Street  
Market Deeping, PE6 8ED

### Opening Hours

Monday 10am – 5pm  
Tuesday 10am – 5pm  
Wednesday 10am – 5pm  
Thursday CLOSED  
Friday 10am – 5pm  
Saturday 10am – 3pm

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Introducing Deepings Literary Festival's

### *Read Dating Event!*

**Have you read all your  
favourite authors' books?**

**Wondering who else is out there?  
Fall in love with your next great read at the  
biggest local author showcase event ever!**

**Saturday 25th May,  
2pm – 3.30pm  
at Deepings Community Library**



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## Who Might be Your Next Reading Relationship? Eight Local Authors, Eight New Books to Explore and Talk about!

### Sarah Bennett

Raised in a family of bookworms, Sarah's love affair with books of all genres has culminated in the ultimate Happy Ever After – getting to write her own stories. She is happily married and life has taught her that the best family is the one you create from friends as well as relatives. This is reflected in her books, which are warm and welcoming. Her best-selling *Butterfly Cove*, *Lavender Bay*, and the forthcoming *Bluebell Castle* trilogies, are published by HQ Digital UK.

[www.facebook.com/SarahBennettAuthor](http://www.facebook.com/SarahBennettAuthor)

### Margaret Castle

Margaret is the author of the novel *The House on Stilts*. She spent childhood summers on the coast of Lincolnshire with her cousins. One particular day she learned by accident of the tragedy that had torn apart her family in the winter of 1953. *The House on Stilts* is a fictionalised telling of that awful night, based on eye-witness accounts. Margaret has also had a story about working in a 'school full of unruly children' published in *'Life's Too Short'*, edited by Val McDermid (Quick Reads 2010). [www.margaretcastle.com](http://www.margaretcastle.com)

### Tony Forder

Tony is the author of acclaimed best-selling crime thriller series featuring detectives Jimmy Bliss and Penny Chandler. The first three books are now joined by a fourth, *The Reach of Shadows* published in January 2019. Tony has also published his dark psychological thriller, *Degrees of Darkness* and *Scream Blue Murder*, with its sequel, *Cold Winter Sun*, which appeared in November 2018. Tony lives in Peterborough.

[www.tonyforder.com](http://www.tonyforder.com)

### Helen Claire Gould

Helen discovered science fiction at nine and has written it since her teens. She met her husband at Peterborough SF Club and set up the Peterborough SF Writers' Group. After graduating from Anglia Ruskin University in Geology and Planetary science in 2000, she taught Geology and Creative Writing evening classes. In 2014

she self-published her debut novel *Floodtide*, followed in 2018 by *The Stallion and She...*; her current WIP is *The Zarduth Imperative: Discovery*. [www.Zarduth.com](http://www.Zarduth.com)

### Ross Greenwood

Ross was born in 1973 in Peterborough and, after leaving Kings School, lived and worked all over the country, before returning to Peterborough where he met his wife. They have two children. For four years he worked as a prison officer. His first book, *Fifty Years of Fear*, was completed when he was unable to go back to sleep after the 4 am feed. His latest book, *Shadows of Regret*, is inspired by his time on the women's side of Peterborough prison.

### Jane E James

Jane enjoys living the good life in the Cambridgeshire country-side. She can mostly be found with her head in a book or writing at her desk with her dog at her feet. Best-selling author of *The Crying Boy*, a compelling and ghostly suspense story, Jane's third novel, *The Butcher's Daughter*, a tense and haunting psychological thriller, will be released in time for the Deepings Literary Festival.

### Eva Jordon

Eva was born in Kent but now lives in Cambridgeshire. A lover of words, books, travel and chocolate, she is also mum and step-mum to four adult children who have provided her with some of the inspiration behind her novels, *183 Times a Year*, *All the Colours In Between*, and *Time Will Tell*, which take a sometimes funny, sometimes tragic, poignant look at family life. She writes for *The Fens* magazine. Storytelling through writing is her passion. [www.evajordanwriter.com](http://www.evajordanwriter.com)

### Tony Millington

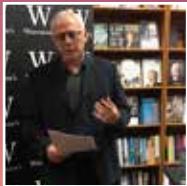
Tony was born in Warrington Cheshire in 1967, but moved to Rutland in 1981 with his family. He has done various jobs, including a lifeguard, white van man, and temp work but working at RAF Wyton as a civil servant for the MOD for many years was his most loved career. He now lives in Cambridgeshire with his family. Tony has always wanted to write a book and *Unsilent Grief*, a detective thriller, is his first, his second book is with his publisher now and he is working on book three.



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All these local authors will be in the library to talk to you about their books.

You have ten minutes together!

What can you find out in 10 minutes about a new reading relationship?

You can also buy their books and have them signed on the day.