

EAST END BOYS AT WAR

In this gripping sequel to *East End Boys*, we follow Wolfe, Asher and their partner Billy Reid and their families through the Second World War.

In the early days of the war, after enrolling in the Auxiliary Fire Brigade in East London, day by day they fight the raging fires as thousands of incendiaries and high explosives fall around them. Meanwhile their wives, Eva, Sarah and Esther, have joined the WVS, driving their van to badly bombed areas, serving sandwiches and hot tea to the fire-fighters, homeless and the various services, searching the rubble looking for survivors.

In the skies above, Wolfe's eldest son Isaac flies his Spitfire through the fast, furious adrenalin pumping battle against the invading Luftwaffe. Later, Asher's eldest son, Abraham, becomes an officer and is sent to France where he and his men are part of the retreat to Dunkirk.

Wolfe's other son Saul is badly beaten by a loan shark and card club owner Bull Burgess and his two cronies over a gambling debt. When Wolfe finds out that Burgess cheats at cards, he decides to do something about it.

During the bombing, unscrupulous people take advantage when the owners of property are in the shelters by entering their homes and stealing from them. One such man is Spider Munro. But when he comes up against the East End Boys he meets his match. As a deserter in an army prison he has even more incentive for revenge against the three firemen.

Through the following turbulent years the East End Boys and their children call on their unwavering faith in God to survive the horrors of a devastating war.

David Brown, author of *East End Boys* and *East End Boys at War*, is in his mid seventies and lives with his wife Marlene in Norfolk. Originally from London, and most of his life a cab driver and Blue Badge tour guide, he moved to his present home after a series of illnesses, which resulted in the amputation of both legs. Writing has now become his passion. He has also written two novels on the Jewish resistance during World War Two under the series title Manny's War and Peace: *One Only Kid* and *It Would Have Been Enough*.

The front cover illustration spans five generations. Featuring a photo of David's grandfather, it was designed and created by David's granddaughter, Zoë Brown.

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