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The Day That Never Comes (the Dublin Trilogy) (Volume 2)



Synopsis

Remember those people that destroyed the economy and then cruised off on their yachts? Well guess what - someone is killing them. Dublin is in the middle of a heat wave and tempers are running high. The Celtic Tiger is well and truly dead, activists have taken over the headquarters of a failed bank, the trial of three unscrupulous property developers teeters on the brink of collapse, and in the midst of all this, along comes a mysterious organisation hell-bent on exacting bloody vengeance in the name of the little guy. Paul Mulchrone doesn't care about any of this; he has problems of his own. His newly established detective agency is about to be DOA. One of his partners won't talk to him for very good reasons and the other has seemingly disappeared off the face of the earth for no reason at all. Can he hold it together long enough to figure out what Bunny McGarry's colourful past has to do with his present absence? When the law and justice no longer mean the same thing, on which side will you stand? *The Day That Never Comes* is the second book in Caimh McDonnell's Dublin trilogy, which melds fast-paced action with a distinctly Irish acerbic wit.

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cast of individuals who will entertain you, as you turn each page" Swirl and Thread"A cracker of a book, encompassing some of my absolute favourite characters ever to grace our pages" The Quiet Knitter"It's not just the clever crime plot that makes McDonnell's latest novel a joy to read; it's absolutely hilarious." Æ Æ Æ Æ Whispering Stories"Caimh McDonnell, where have you been all my life? Æ Æ This is a perfect mix of crime and humor . . . I loved every minute of the book." A Bookaholic Swede"Caimh's ability to juxtapose crime and humour is fantastic, this isn't a cozy crime novel with funny bits, or comedy with dark parts." Bibliophile Book Club"Hard to put down, with real laugh out loud moments." ACrimeReadersBlog Æ Æ "It's no mean feat to have you holding your breath and then laughing out loud within the space of a few paragraphs. But he manages it. And more than once." Goodreads reviewer"Terrifically entertaining with plenty of action keeping the story rolling along at a great pace. Don't let the humour fool you into thinking this is some lightweight cosy crime. Æ Æ There are serious 'baddies'; you would not want to mess with and more than one scene which had me wincing. Æ Æ But the humour balances this beautifully and Caimh McDonnell has a great turn of phrase giving his characters sharply witty lines." Æ Æ Portobello Book Blog Æ Æ "A plot well that's fast and furious and very well executed." Cleopatra Loves Books

Caimh McDonnell's 'Dublin Trilogy' has a good many fans. I agree with the ones who advise reading the novels in order. This is a series where the vibrantly drawn characters matter and we do need to get to know them as their relationships unfold. I have read the first two novels: so far, the hapless characters we need to keep an eye on are Paul Mulchrone (well-meaning mensch); Bunny McGarry (Paul's former hurling coach; a more than tough police detective that would make Columbo look like a snappy dresser); Bridget Conroy (nurse with an anger-management problem) and Phil Lewis (Paul's best friend, even more hopeless than Paul.) This story adds Maggie, a police dog who needed rescuing after her period of service ended. Then there is the mysterious blonde with the clingy red dress. The plots expand quickly to include an activist priest, assorted 'bent' real estate developers and planning officials and an army of aggrieved investors in a massively embezzled from housing project. Then the terror begins. For most of the story, Bunny is (where else?) lost, presumably on a monumental binge. Paul and Bridget, now partners in a new private detection agency, are looking for him with notable lack of skill. Plus, due to the 'mother of all misunderstandings' they are not talking to each other. The perpetually penniless Paul needs a car for this investigation and Phil can borrow one. Even with these handicaps they are outperforming the local constabulary, who are hamstrung by ego issues at the top of the hierarchy and by an

anti-terrorist squad that needs to find terrorists in order to get a workout. Excitable citizens will do in a pinch. The able police are represented by Detective Constable Wilson, who played a creditable role in the first novel and by newly promoted Detective Superintendent Susan Burns. Just from the lineup of characters, one sees endless possibilities for biting humor and physical comedy.

This is my vote for Book of The Year. If you're looking for something tautly plotted, skilfully written and side-splittingly funny, this is yer book and Caim McDonnell is yer man. I lived in Dublin for 7 years before returning to Australia. This book reminded me of all I loved and miss about Ireland. Not the beautiful scenery, not the history, but the sheer, gritty, brutal honesty, eccentricity and humour of some of the characters who used to be my Dublin and Cork friends. Bunny McGarry with his hurling stick is right up there as one of the funniest, most memorable characters I've ever met. The Dublin Trilogy consists of only 2 books, which makes me laugh too. But Caim, your Trilogy needs to stretch to at least 10. Now I am going to Google you so that I can find out how to pronounce your name without sounding like an eedjit. And then I'm going to book the next flight to Dublin to remind myself of all I miss. I am, so.

Another Home Run for Caimh (or whatever the equivalent is in hurling)! I thoroughly enjoyed his first novel and liked this one is even better. The addition of Maggie, the German Shepherd that has a similar personality to Bunny McGarry, has definitely strengthened this crime-fighting team. Looking forward to Book 3 (write faster, you Irish hack)!

Laugh out loud! This clever but not smart-arsed writer is a born entertainer. I loved his first two books and am eagerly awaiting the third in the trilogy. For the record he also responded really promptly to an e-mail I sent and let me download a free book of short stories. He does have a bit of swearing and profanity in his books, so avoid them if that bothers you, but I loved them.

Bought this after reading his first book, which was laughs out loud funny. This one isn't as amusing, but a great story none the less. Jumps back and forth from present day to 2000, but in the end ties it all together. Purchased for my wife, but I enjoyed it also.

If you're seeking a thoroughly enjoyable read spiced with slightly off-color, politically incorrect humor, look no farther than this book and its predecessor, *The Man with One of Those Faces*. I'm looking forward to reading book number three of the trilogy.

Clever, fast-paced, and hilarious. Just when I thought it couldn't get better, a character named "Maggie" was introduced and stole the show without saying a word. Read these in order for the full experience. These are a joy

A fun read. Crime, complexity, cunning, corruption what more could one want? Well there is more ... great humor some bold, some black and always Irish. This is book 2 of trilogy - waiting on book 3.

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