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The latest Charlcombe Books titles, available from us here, are:



Goodbye Burma by Jean Ellis

The dramatic story of a family fleeing Burma as Japanese troops invade the country in 1942. It follows the fortunes of different family members as they join the masses leaving their homes, trekking out on treacherous routes through the mountains to the safety of India.

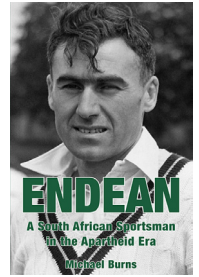
Drawing on her own family's documents and memories, **Jean Ellis** reimagines their experiences: their personal preoccupations, their loves and losses. Candid in its portrayal of the social divisions and administrative failures of the collapsing British raj, **Goodbye Burma** is a warm-hearted, deeply human story of end of empire.

250-page softback, £9

Endean – A South African Sportsman in the Apartheid Era by Michael Burns

This is not strictly a Charlcombe Books title, as the author has his own Nightwatchman Books, but it has come about in the same way, with us helping him to bring it into print. It is a biography of the late **Russell Endean** who played 28 Tests for South Africa in the 1950s. He then moved to England where he settled in Surrey, playing alongside the author for the Malden Wanderers club.

Michael Burns, who has produced several films for MCC, is the author of the recent biography of the pre-WWI Surrey cricketer Jack Crawford, *A Flick of the Fingers*. Endean's children have given him access to scrapbooks, letters and photographs, which allows him to colour in the sporting story with flavours of the time.



144-page hardback, well illustrated, £15



Second XI – More Stories from the World of Cricket by Bob Cattell

The mysterious obituary of a woman cricketer in Auckland. A young Australian killer under siege by the police. Sherlock Holmes's extraordinary day at the Oval. These and other stories (eleven of them plus a sub) comprise Bob Cattell's second collection of short stories. As with **First XI**, each is set in a different country.

160-page softback, £8

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Return to Glory by Bob Cattell

After a gap of 15 years, **Bob Cattell** has come back to Glory Gardens with **Return to Glory**, where the boys and girls go off to Australia to play an ‘Ashes’ series. It is a good story, the matches are exciting, and Bob has a lovely way of working in little bits of cricket coaching. There is also a glossary of cricket terms at the back, with brief explanations of the laws. Ideal for nine- to eleven-year-olds.

160-page softback, £7

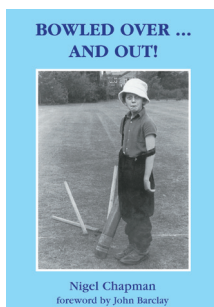
First XI – Eleven Stories of the World of Cricket by Bob Cattell

Eleven cricket-themed short stories, each one set in a different country. This is the first venture into writing for adults by **Bob Cattell**, whose series of books about the Glory Gardens cricket team were so popular with children in the 1990s.

144-page softback, £8



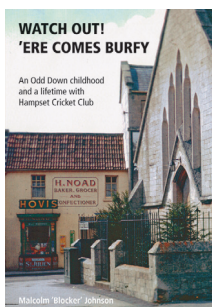
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Bowled Over ... and Out! by Nigel Chapman

Cricketing tales from a retired prep school headmaster who played for Felsted School, Essex 2nd XI and Oxfordshire.

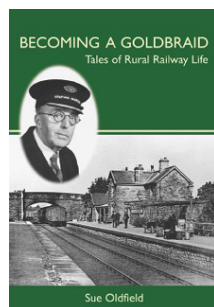
Hardback, 128 pages, £10



Watch Out! 'Ere Comes Burfy by Malcolm Johnson

Recollections of a childhood growing up in the Odd Down district of Bath and 46 years of playing cricket for the local Hampset club, written by the retired Head of Modern Languages at Dauntsey's School.

Softback, 128 pages, £10



Becoming A Goldbraid – Tales of Rural Railway Life by Sue Oldfield

A collection of the writings of James Herbert Dodson, Kirbymoorside station master between the wars, with a biographical introduction by his grand-daughter.

Softback, 96 pages, £12