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The Renegades Of Pern (Dragonriders Of Pern Series)



Synopsis

As long as the people of Pern could remember, the Holds had protected them from Thread, the deadly silver strands that fell from the sky and ravaged the land. In exchange for sanctuary in the huge stone fortresses, the people tithed to their lord Holders, who in turn supported the Weyrs, whose dragons were Pern's greatest weapon against Thread. But not everyone on Pern was part of that system of mutual care and protection, particularly those who had been rendered holdless as punishment for wrongdoing. And there were some, like Jayge's trader clan, who simply preferred the freedom of the roads to the security of a hold. Others, like Aramina's family, had lost their holds through injustice and cruelty. For all the holdless, life was a constant struggle for survival. Then, from the ranks of the criminals and the disaffected, rose a band of renegades, led by the Lady Thella. No one was safe from Thella's depredations, and now her quarry was Aramina, reputed to have a telepathic link with dragons. But when Thella mistakenly vented her rage on Jayge's family, she made a dangerous enemy. For Jayge was bent on revenge – and he would never let her have the girl who heard dragons!

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Customer Reviews

While recent tales of Pern have dealt with early eras on that turbulent planet, this one begins during the time of Dragonquest and continues beyond the closing of *The White Dragon*, focusing on some

of the commoners, and how they cope with the return of the life-consuming Thread. A number of lives intertwine, such as that of the trader boy Jayge Lilcamp, whose family is almost destroyed when his father refuses to believe the first Thread warning. Jayge runs afoul of Thella, sister of the Telgar Hold lord but a malcontent and leader of renegades, when she tries to kidnap the refugee girl Aramina, who can hear all dragons. Meanwhile, in the South, the young harper Piemur finds his destiny, and Toric, the first Holder there, schemes for supremacy. McCaffrey paints her colorful world on a still larger canvas, maintaining the complex plots and strong characterization that permeate her work. Timed to coincide with the publication of this book is an illustrated nonfiction companion book, *The Drag on lover's Guide to Pern* by Jody Lynn Nye with McCaffrey. The large-format volume gathers together much known and some new information about Pern and its history. Major ad/promo; author tour . Copyright 1989 Reed Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

A dangerous woman's desire for revenge and a young girl's talent for hearing dragons become the catalysts that challenge the old traditions of Weyr, Hold, and Hall that have long defined life on Pern. McCaffrey continues her popular series with a story of exploration and adventure that focuses on a younger generation of characters as they begin to discover pieces of their ancient past (related in *Dragonsdawn*, LJ 10/15/88). Recommended for sf and YA collections. Previewed in *Prepub Alert*, LJ 7/89. Copyright 1989 Reed Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

The rating is for both the digital condition (on Kindle) of the novel and the novel itself. The text was full of typo's, random strings of numbers and missing words. I would give the Kindle version a 2 star rating. I have only had a digital reader for 6 months and I am totally unimpressed with the quality of the books in this format. I was a fan of the Pern books for years, and just started to re-visit the series and to fill in the ones I missed at publication time. This is one I don't have in print. I don't think I missed much. The book starts with a series of vignettes, about how people become homeless on Pern as Thread first begins to fall again after the long Pass. The people mentioned are going to have a role to play later, motivated by their own back story, but characterization is so brief, that it is hard to remember or care who most of these people are or why they are behaving this way, by the time they appear again. The most compelling stories were about Jayge and the Lilcamp traveling traders and how they survived the first completely unexpected and devastating Thread fall, and Thella, the willful and thwarted Lord Holder's daughter. Both back stories could have been detailed and fleshed

out more, with the supporting character having their stories integrated briefly (or not at all) as they appeared later, to much better effect. The whole book seemed like a writer's notes polished up to set the stage for Jayge's and Thella secondary story line in *All the Weyrs of Pern*. Which is a shame, because it was a good opportunity to expand on the citizens of Pern who were not in the administrative power structure of the Lord Holders, Master Craftsmen and Weyr Leaders/Dragonriders and get their point of view. I give the story 3 1/2 stars, mostly for Jayge and the traders.

To be hold less is a punishment for people who committed a crime of the holds. In times of free of threads it's more banishment from the holds. But to be holdless in the time of the thread fall it's better to kill them. But some do not want to be in a hold they are a trade clan that travels the roads of pern trading goods and services to the holds. But somethings change , for so long the threads haven't falling. They believe the strange threads are gone. And never to return to pern again. It' returned again after a long time. The dragonriders must learn why. One of the leaders of the dragonriders, has found a scrap of knowledge if it happen before. Nearly forgotten , knowledge of secrets of pern.

How do you rate the classics? If you have never read the Pern series from Anne McCaffrey you are really missing out on an incredible adventure. I have read most of these books when they were first published, now, reading them again is like visiting some of your very favorite relatives. Ones you haven't seen in a very long time and have missed terribly. Well, I would write more, but I would much rather get back to reading. Just trust me on this...the Pern series is well worth the read. The *Renegades of Pern* is a bit darker, but the characters run true to their nature so the heroes are just as thrilling as the villains. I will leave it up to you to decide which is which.

In this story we meet some new characters during the same time period of Lessa, F'lar and Robinton. This is a must read for the final book of this time period, "*All The Weyrs of Pern*," and full of intense, suspenseful reading.

I love Anne Mccaffrey. I grew up with my mother reading her books and I have always found them to be an excellent method to escape the pressures of life. A motivation at times with a break away from reality. Finding myself as a third perspective and living the life of the characters.

Reading the ENTIRE series and I don't want it to end. Pern's inhabitants left a dying Earth to become an agrarian utopia. Start at the first book or read them randomly. You won't be able to stop.

I love every book written by Anne McCaffrey. I have all the books in the Dragonriders Series and I have read and re-read these books through the years.

I gave this book 5 stars because I found this an enjoyable read, even for the second time. If you have read the 2 trilogies and want more - I highly recommend this book. It is a nice complement to the last books of each trilogy. Fleshing out some of the characters and giving more detail to things just mentioned in the previous books.

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