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In this Bolton Brothers book, first comes the baby and maybe then comes marriage?

He'd never expected to see Stella Caine again. After one wild night, she'd walked away right after revealing that her father was the one man who could threaten the biggest business deal of Bobby Bolton's career. So Bobby left her alone.

Until now.

Now Stella is pregnant and staying in his condo. This is a complication that can be solved only one way: marriage. Bobby wants to do the right thing. Hell, he wants her--he has never stopped wanting her. Surely he can convince her to say yes, even without those three little words.

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Ni_kii says

FTC: I love this author and have worked with her frequently. That being said, I wouldn't give her a falsely positive review nor would she want me to.

This is the last in the Bolton series and we finally get the bratty brothers book. Bobby has not actually gained any good favour with me during this series and I did wonder whether or not that would stop me enjoying the book. He has such an about turn in this book that I found him nearly unrecognizable to the character that was in the other books; this was not a bad thing. I enjoyed this book immensely and will state that it probably could be read as a standalone though I don't recommend it.

This being a Harlequin, the overall theme of the book is quite light and uplifting. I was so impressed with Bobby's attitude towards the unexpected pregnancy. He was slightly besotted with Stella yes, but I think the reason that he wants to be there for her is because he sees it as his responsibility rather than he wants an insta-family. That doesn't detract from the fact that he is besotted with Stella and so gives her his full attention. In the other books, I came out with the impression that he would throw his own Grandparent under the bus to get what he wanted. He still has the same attitude but it's slightly less mercenary and selfish in this book. He wants her, so he goes out of his way to learn how to treat her so he can win her love. Honestly, it was the sweetest thing I've ever seen; when he brings in helpers to help her with her show, my heart gave a little squishy squeeze. I do think that, at the beginning of the book, I consciously separated him from the brat in the other books but it probably wasn't fair and it was one of the issues for him in the book; no one else could quite resolve these two characters either. Bobby struggles with what he wants to be and what others perceive him to be throughout this book; it isn't fair but you make your bed, you gotta learn to lie in it. I think that he does well in redeeming himself in this book.

Stella was a tough nut to crack. She had a completely shitty upbringing and it defined the woman that she became. I got the sense that she liked to go against her conservative father because the reaction that she got was better than being ignored. I liked her as a heroine but she was difficult to relate to because she was very distant. She had built a hell of a lot of protective walls around herself and she was very reluctant to let Bobby through them. She told Bobby about the baby because she feels that it is her responsibility to do so and she gets swept away with his future plans because she wants her baby to have the upbringing she didn't. I just didn't know if when push came to shove, that she would be able to give him everything he wanted.

There is no real side plot. The evil Father (he is an absolute douche) adds a fleshing out to this romance and our characters a common connection to bandy against. I didn't enjoy his character but I understood the need for him.

Overall, this is a good installment to this series (Billy's book will remain my favourite of this series). With the unplanned pregnancy and the redeemable jerk, it is sure to check a few boxes for a lot of people. For me, it was simply a lovely book with engaging characters that I wanted to succeed. I love Sarah M. Anderson's stuff and this one was no different.

Kathie (katmom) says

Today is Release Day!

I haven't read the first two books in this series, but this one can be read as a standalone.

I liked the way this man thinks. Bobby has been raised to do the right thing and it's actually something he wants to do. He wants to have Stella in his life, and the baby? Well, that's icing on his cake.

It does take him a while to figure out how to go about such a thing, because he has to LEARN how to communicate with her.

For her part, Stella is not sure what she wants. She hasn't had a loving family dynamic in ages, not since her mother died. Her father, ugh, what a jerk. It's a good thing she had her bodyguard to give her a bit of normalcy and support.

Stella is scared, but thrilled, to be pregnant. She wants a family, desperately. She's also quite smitten with Bobby. But what if he runs? What if he doesn't stay? What if he doesn't love them? Her fears almost ruined what could be wonderful.

Apparently Bobby was a player before Stella and this has really gobsmacked him. He has this huge business deal, with a morals clause, that just might take his entire family into bankruptcy, if he doesn't watch his p's and q's. He has to decide what is more important: family or business.

Since this is a romance, we know he makes the right decision. It's fun watching him get there. I would have preferred a bit of a showdown between Stella and her father. But that's a minor issue. This was a fun read.

You can preorder this now.

*Thank you, NetGalley and Harlequin, for the opportunity to read this book.

Melody Cox says

This is Bobby's and Stella's story.

I sure had high hopes for this book because I thought the story-line had great promise. Unfortunately, it was a sizable letdown for this reader and I was deeply disappointed.

Stella and Bobby met at a club one night. It was a very rare occasion for Stella to go out and she didn't frequent clubs. Even though Stella was not the type of woman Bobby usually hooked up with they were both instantly drawn to each other. They got a little crazy and left the club to do the horizontal tango, something that was out of character for Stella. She did not do guys, boyfriends, or one night stands having given that up years before. She lived by her father's harsh law of the land and moral code that he dictated and commanded. He was truly a horrible person. So set on almost impossible moral standards that a preacher would have difficulty following. What an oxy moron because he was a mean, spiteful, vindictive, vengeful man who was mentally and verbally abusive, especially to his daughter who cowered at the thought of him but, also to his

business partners and anyone else in his path. She was an embarrassment to him because she was a clothing designer and went for an edgy look, something a little out of the box.

Bobby wanted to continue seeing her but she told him 'no' to protect him because she figured out her dad was his boss and major investor in his business. She knew he would cause major trouble for Bobby because her father places a morality clause in all his business contracts. Heaven forbid that someone didn't do something perfectly because then he could dump them and take their business away leaving them in an impossible financial situation that would leave them bankrupt. That was two months ago and he's thought about her constantly wishing they could have given it a go. He was so taken with her that he hasn't looked at another women since he was with her which, by the way it was described, must have been a record-breaking amount of time for him to not hook up. We find out early that he has been with a lot of women so him going to a club and leaving to have sex with a woman was not something new. He was a playboy and loved his bachelor lifestyle. What troubled me even more than his man-whore ways was all his thoughts about the other women he would be giving up if he was involved with Stella. He was not keen on marriage or having a family. I really got frustrated with all his thoughts about all the others that had come before her, like a woman in every port, and it was a complete turn off for me. When a couple meets and considers a relationship together I despise hearing about all their sexual exploits. It caused me to lose a lot of respect for his character and I never regained it. One chapter you think he is in love with her and the next he is thinking about all the women and sex he will miss out on if he offers her marriage. It was unsettling. That is not what I want to hear about as they are trying to get their relationship going.

Got ahead of myself so I'm going to back up a little. Bobby is shocked and thrilled when Stella arrives at his business office. But she has a good reason and informs him the condom malfunctioned and she is pregnant. She came to see if he wanted to be involved with the child. Since her father is such a horrible man and parent she wants to discover if Bobby is 'in' or 'out.' She doesn't want her child to fall in love with his father then to suffer the way she has when said father abandoned her after the death of her mother. It broke her in a way I don't think she will ever entirely recover from. She didn't want her child to suffer the pain of abandonment, for Bobby to be 'in' the child's life then all the sudden 'leave' because she knows quite well the pain and suffering it caused her throughout most of her life. Stella is twenty-five-years old and from afar her father controls every aspect of her life, has her followed 24/7 and basically handed her off to his friend to raise when she wasn't stuck in boarding school.

Sadly, this book had one of the weakest heroines I have ever read about. I actually struggled while trying to figure out why Bobby was so drawn to her given her pathetic weaknesses and her willingness to adhere to her father's every word even though she knew good and well he was wrong. The young woman couldn't even think for herself or make a decision in just about every area of her life. That would be more believable if her father was around but she had not seen him in years. Her thoughts, self talk and conversations were so redundant that I wanted to toss my Kindle out the window then go find it and stomp it until it was obliterated. When her mother passed away she was immediately shipped to a boarding school at the young age of eight, and her father paid extra to have them keep her year round. Most years she didn't even get to come home for Christmas. Since they only kept her year round because of the money pops was willing to pay she spent most of her time alone. She would go years and not hear from or see her father but when he called and demanded something of her, she was trained that she had no choice and had to say yes to his every demand. She showed us this time and excruciating time again. She was extremely naive and didn't give a thought to go against him. I don't think it's normal for her to have felt this way. Thinking of her made me picture her as a limp dishrag or a worn out, thread-bare doormat. He would tell her all the time, by phone, what a disappointment she was because she liked edgy clothes and he did not approve. He was extremely conservative and Stella would never ever consider saying no to him. When they had any confrontation you could just feel her begin to wither away into herself.

I waited and waited, checking at 50%, 60% then 75% wondering when this weak girl was going to get some gumption and quit bowing to her father's every command. She was twenty-five, in love and pregnant yet she could do nothing that may bother her father. The problem with that is that everything everyone did bothered him. Her character was never transformed and I waited the whole book for that. It really never happened. The only time she ever stood up to him she ended up packing and leaving Bobby to go back home with Evil daddy. It also made me consider what kind of wimpy woman like her could ever be an effective wife and mother. It is almost at the very end and she is saying that she might as well give up her life (she really didn't have one) and just live her life under her father's control. She was certain she didn't want her father to have any control over how her child was raised, yet she is going to give up and surrender to the man who has abused her most all her life. I can't imagine that giving in and appearing so weak would draw Bobby to her or any other man. It's not attractive to watch a person not live their own life while they bow to a demeaning and demanding parent. (Of this I know first hand.) A person who never even considers she has a right to live her life as she chooses. She has a right to say enough. She has a right to say no. She felt she deserved nothing in this life. It was sad, very sad as well as frustrating!

There were a lot of inconsistencies in this story and I am finished with this series. Book One I couldn't get interested in it, Book Two was just plain bad, and Book Three less than fair.

Do I recommend it? No absolutely not unless you like to read a book that leaves you angry and frustrated.

Fiona Marsden says

The final Bolton brother. Bobby hovered in the background of the other two. A little too smooth, relying on talking his way in and out of everything from beds to business deals. I wasn't sure if I was going to like him, especially after loving Billy from bringing home the bachelor so much (fangirl dance for Billy).

Bobby is busy building himself an empire. He has signed up for a reality TV show featuring his brothers and the Crazy Horse Motorcycling business run by his father and two brothers. This will fund the construction of a lifestyle resort for upmarket bike riders which is his stand for independence, to prove he isn't the no good baby brother.

The arrival of Stella on his doorstep with news of her pregnancy couldn't have come at a worse time. Her not so loving dad is the key investor in both the TV show and the resort and the morals clause means that not only Bobby, but the rest of the family could lose everything.

The fact that Bobby's been thinking about the elusive Stella for months makes for plenty of complications. I loved his interactions with her and his respect and nurturing when he found out why she was there. It was fascinating finding out why he was so different to his brothers and it made sense to me.

It was harder for me to warm up to Stella. Her rebellion against her father was so passive aggressive and even her reactions to Bobby were of the same nature. It was funny seeing the smooth talking Bobby fumble over simple conversational gambits.

This was a really sweet story and lacked a lot of the angst of the previous two. I think this was because of Bobby's nature. It was still a lovely story and the ending was satisfying even if a little rushed.

Susan says

Good book. Bobby hadn't forgotten his encounter with Stella, but respected her wishes to leave her alone. Then she came back to see him and tell him that she's pregnant. Bobby is stunned but determined to do the right thing, if only he can convince her.

I really liked Bobby. I wasn't sure about him in the earlier books, as he seemed a bit like the typical smarmy salesman. In this book we get to know him better. Bobby is a people person, which is why he's so good at sales. He has a great talent at being able to read most people. As the youngest brother he feels like he needs to prove himself, which is why he's gotten involved with building the resort. He found out after the fact that Stella is the daughter of his biggest investor, the same one who is super conservative and not likely to take his daughter's pregnancy well. I really liked the way that Bobby is not upset about Stella's pregnancy, but is actually kind of excited about it. He has been a bit of a player before, but since meeting Stella hasn't been interested in anyone else. He is surprised when she turns down his proposal but he's not going to give up. One of the things I liked best about Bobby was the way that he actually listened to Stella and tried to do things that would make her happy. I loved it when he took her to the shop and got the two ladies to get her the supplies she needed to do her work. It also showed how comfortable he was with babies when he was playing with Josey's little girl. I loved the way he wanted her more with every day they were together, but he sure was an idiot when he neglected to tell her that he wanted her to stay. It was great when his two sisters-in-law sat him down and pointed out where he'd gone wrong. I loved seeing him stand up to her father in public before going after Stella.

Stella had a terrible relationship with her father ever since her mother died. He was a cold man who never paid any attention to her unless he was putting her down. She has become an excellent fashion designer but still gets no approval from her father. Her designs are a bit out there and her ultra conservative father doesn't approve of them at all. I liked the way she does her own thing anyway. When she met Bobby she was drawn to him because he actually noticed her and talked to her, something that didn't happen to her often. She only was with him that one time because she didn't want to cause him trouble. When she discovered she was pregnant she went to him because she wanted to find out if he would be involved with the baby or distant like her father. She was stunned to find out just how involved he wanted to be. She wants nothing more than to have a family of her own, but she doesn't want a marriage of obligation. She wants to be wanted and loved for herself. The more time she spends with Bobby the deeper she falls for him. I felt really bad for her with the way that her father treats her. I liked the way that Bobby supports her and backs her up so she can get what she needs. I had high hopes for her when she stood up to her father at the end, but then she backed down and I wanted to smack her. I hope that Bobby's love gives her the strength that she needs to be her own person.

Briar's Reviews says

Book Review

Book Title: Expecting a Bolton Baby

Book Author: Sarah M. Anderson

Introduction: I was craving some ooey, gooey Harlequin styled romance so I decided this book should fit the

bill! I also got it from a random garage sale (I know, I know...buy the books from the garage sale don't benefit the author, so the least I could do was review and get the word out about it).

Review:

Normally, I love ooey, gooey, super romance-y type books but for whatever reason I wasn't into this book. Now, hear me out, this book was SUPER AWESOME and it definitely fits the bill of being an amazing Harlequin romance, but personally it just wasn't hitting the notes. Perhaps I thought I wanted to read a romance and I actually needed a different genre, but it just wasn't doing it for me.

All that being said, this book was really good in the romance genre - my distaste for it wasn't because of the book itself, I think I just needed a genre change.

So, remove my negative thoughts from the equation and here's my thoughts:

This is a nice book to read when you don't want some heavy, crime/psychological/horror type novel. It's a smooth read, it moves quickly and it's packed tight with romance. It's overflowing with a beautiful narrative and sappy lines, which can make every romance fan drool with excitement.

Expecting a Bolton Baby is part of a series, but I didn't have any issue picking up on what happened in the first. It won't leave you confused or lost, but the first book would help connect a few more dots. It can be treated like a standalone for any romance readers who simply need a sappy book to pick up.

Character growth and development was great in this novel as well. I'm not usually expecting much development during a Harlequin romance, but it was there for the picking!! Great job Sarah!!

This book might not seem to be the most realistic novel in the entire world, but it does fit the Happily Ever After sort of build I like to see in novels. I really enjoyed that aspect where it wasn't depressing and sad for the entire novel - it left me feeling warm and fuzzy. This little slice of life book is great to pick up those winter blues!!

Overall, this was a good book! I might not have been feeling the romance genre, but it was a sweet read! I would definitely suggest anyone who's a fan of romance or needs a break from reality to pick up this beautiful book!

Three out of five stars!

Kelley says

Novel received courtesy of Goodreads.com giveaway

I love to read this kind of a light book after I've been reading heavy, thought-provoking books for awhile. Sarah Anderson writes the kind of books that make you get lost in the world she creates. She also makes you root for the characters because you've grown to love them over the past 12 hours since you started the book. Her ability to create the depth of character that she does in such a short (190 pages) novel is astounding to me.

This is the second in the Bolton Brothers series. I'm hoping that I can get to the others in the series. I've come to be invested in these brothers' lives!

Jenn Scranton says

This was exactly what I was looking for!

It is as it appears to be: sweet, a little sappy, a little drama, very Harlequin.

Honestly, one of this book's best features was the fact that Bobby was really written like a man. He wasn't perfect; he made *man* mistakes...

Ladies, you know what I'm talking about...

Fun read.

Cinzia says

Third book in the series The Bolton Brothers, and as you can imagine from the title, the series is about the story of three brothers: Ben and Billy, Bobby, for each one his story and his book, which can also be read individually. I can almost call them "The B Brothers", but they're another kind of brothers ...In this story we are dealing with Bobby, the bachelor guy, who loves the adventures by one night and doesn't want to bind himself emotionally with a woman. He spent all his energies in the realization of a project in which he invested all his finances. As Murphy's law says he finally encounters a woman who can changes his life and just happens to be the daughter of the man who could destroy Bobby's projects and the lives of his brothers. Stella Cain has no intention who see again Bobby after wild night they spent together, not because she is not attracted by the man, but she is so heavily conditioned by the presence of the father in her life that actually fails to find the only thing she needs, and almost no one was able to give her: love, warmth, affection. In order not to suffer, she prefers loneliness. But the faith and a failed condom put the two together. Aarianna face an unexpected pregnancy and to deal with possible changes in their lives. It is a well written contemporary romance, cute, I feel like saying that speaks the confirmation that man and woman have two totally different paths of thought, I daresay the famous two parallel worlds that are designed to meet ever. Bobby is willing to get involved, the will is there, but doesn't know what to give to this woman who could have everything thanks to her status. Stella could realize the dream of her life, but she is so emotionally fragile that she doesn't have the courage to tell the truth and she asks Bobby just an agreement for the child to be present in the life of a child. Brr chills. Bobby is a character that I really liked, confident, stubborn, charming and affectionate. Stella I found it a bit too complexed and indecisive, while I loved her bodyguard, who has always given the paternal affection that she needed. But now I have to close the circle and read the two books on the other two B&B.

Thanks to Netgalley and Harlequin Desire for the kind preview.

Terzo libro della serie The Bolton Brothers, e come si intuisce dal titolo vengono raccontate le vicende amorose di tre fratelli: Billy, Ben e Bobby, a ognuno la sua storia e il suo libro, che possono essere letti anche singolarmente. Mi viene quasi da chiamarli "The B Brothers", ma rispolvereremmo un altro genere di fratelli...In questo caso siamo alle prese con Bobby, lo scapolone di turno, che si concede solo avventure da una notte e non ama legarsi sentimentalmente a una donna, concentrando tutte le sue energie nella realizzazione di un progetto nel quale ha investito tutte le sue finanze.

La legge di Murphy vuole che incontri finalmente una donna che stravolge la sua vita e guarda caso sia la figlia dell'uomo che potrebbe distruggere i progetti di Bobby e le vite dei suoi fratelli.

Stella Cain non ha nessuna intenzione di rincontrare Bobby dopo la notte selvaggia trascorsa insieme, non perchè non sia attratta dall'uomo, ma è così condizionata dalla pesante presenza del padre nella sua vita che in realtà non riesce a cercare l'unica cosa di cui ha bisogno e quasi nessuno è stato in grado di darle: amore, calore, affetto. Per non soffrire, preferisce non provare.

Galeotto fu il preservativo e i due si trovano di fronte a una gravidanza inattesa e a fare i conti con i possibili cambiamenti nelle loro vite.

È un romance contemporaneo ben scritto, carino nel quale mi vien da dire si trova la conferma che uomo e donna seguono due filoni di pensiero totalmente diversi, oserei dire i famosi due mondi paralleli che sono destinati a non incontrarsi mai. Lui è disposto a mettersi in gioco, la volontà c'è, ma non sa cosa offrire a questa donna che potrebbe avere tutto grazie al suo status. Lei che potrebbe realizzare il sogno della sua vita, ma è così emotivamente fragile che non ha il coraggio di dire la verità e chiede a Bobby solo un accordo per il bambino per farlo essere presente nella vita del piccolo. Brr da brividi.

Bobby è un personaggio che mi è piaciuto molto, sicuro di sé, testardo, affascinante e affettuoso.

Stella l'ho trovata un po' troppo complessata e indecisa, mentre ho adorato la sua guardia del corpo, che le ha sempre dato l'affetto paterno di cui la ragazza aveva bisogno.

Ora però devo chiudere il cerchio e leggere i due libri sugli altri due B&B.

Si ringrazia Netgalley e la Harlequin Desire per la gentile preview.

Amy says

This is book 3 in an awesome trilogy... You will love the Bolton Brothers they are strong on family unity... Have big hearts & are really great guys who put business & family above all else... They are great if read in order but also work as a stand alones...

Les Romantiques says

Posted on Les Romantiques - Le forum du site

Reviewed by Fabiola

Review Copy from the Publisher

I hadn't read this author yet. It's my friend Pirouette who mentioned her to me because she was trying to make herself known in France after the publication by Harlequin of the novel A man of distinction (Tendre découverte – Harlequin Passions 06/2013). So when I saw this title available at Netgalley, with a very interesting synopsis, I hurried to request it.

Expecting a Bolton baby is the third volume in her trilogy The Bolton brothers. The first two titles are Straddling the line and Bringing home the bachelor. I learned the three volumes will probably be translated in French, we'll tell you more as soon as it's confirmed.

I really liked this story and the characters. It's especially full of emotion and melancholy, mainly because of the heroine. Stella Caine is the daughter of a big producer who possesses the rights of a reality show in which plays our hero, Bobby Bolton, and is his associate in a new project and in which his brothers are also associates. The fact that these two form a couple brings lots of obstacles they'll have to overcome to be happy.

The hero's two brothers are the first obstacle because of their investment in Bobby's project. They didn't seem very likable to me; however the author succeeded in getting me interested in them enough for me to want to discover their story. The show and Bobby's goal are the second obstacle to their relationship because if he loses everything, he'll have to say goodbye to all he worked so hard for, to the point of agreeing to sign a contract with David Caine. The latter is the last obstacle to their relationship. He is a horrible man who hardly improves in the end and the readers enjoy hating him.

I think it's because of all these obstacles that we come to really appreciate the heroes. Because, in spite of everything, they stick to their opinion, they know what they want and do everything to have it. Real heroes in short. In any case, it's what I liked a lot in this book.

Bobby is the one who must evolve in the novel. From bachelor to Stella's baby's father-to-be and madly in love, he had to go through several stages, the most important one being getting to realize his feelings and his desires. We know straightaway what Stella wants but she has such a difficult past because of her father that we understand her decisions. The sex scenes are of good quality and we understand how much they are attracted to each other. The heroes also talk to each other, which is very important and shows us the evolution of their feelings.

To conclude, Expecting a Bolton baby is a very lovely contemporary romance, very sweet and touching, and I recommend it. I look forward to discover Bobby's brothers' stories.

Ramblings From A Chaotic Mind says

Expecting A Bolton Baby is the last book in the Bolton Brothers trilogy, a series which I have enjoyed from the beginning. Sarah M. Anderson has no problems ensnaring me with her words and drawing me into her stories with ease.

Since book one I've wondered what motivated Bobby Bolton. While his two brothers were more rough and tumble, Bobby was more polished, refined. He could fit into both worlds but his main job was managing the tv show he had built around the family bike building business. While in New York he had a chance encounter with a beautiful woman who turned out to be the daughter of a very powerful business man that Bobby did not want to upset. The owner of the channel his tv show ran on. Also the financial backer of all of Bobby's dreams of owning a posh resort in his hometown. When Stella shows up and announces her pregnancy a couple of month later, he's shocked and nervous what this means for his carefully constructed future.

Stella was a hard character to like in the beginning. She had an icy exterior that really put me off her. She came off as stuck up and entitled until her past was revealed. She was justifiably nervous approaching Bobby

but I have to give her credit for going to him at all.

Though Bobby reacts to the news of the pregnancy with grace he becomes a complete tool in the way he makes Stella feel. Men can be so obtuse, but to his credit Stella doesn't do such a hot job conveying what she truly wants either. This is definitely one of those books where I kept saying and yelling at the characters to get their heads out of their asses and **COMMUNICATE**.

I did feel this one had much more internalization and less vocalization than the past two books. Readers were constantly in the characters heads. Less convo slowed down the story a bit for me and I found I didn't react as strongly to Bobby and Stella as I did the past two couples. I mean, I totally ugly cried in the last book. Regardless, this is a fast read that I got done in one sitting. It's easy, light and would be perfect to read in between darker books when you're looking to simply relax.

Sarah M Anderson grows with every book I read of hers. Enchanting and fun, I look forward to what she gives readers in the future!

I give *Expecting A Bolton Baby* by Sarah M Anderson 3 stars!

Dj says

First comes the baby...and maybe then comes marriage? He'd never expected to see Stella Caine (fashion designer) again. After one wild night, she'd walked away—right after revealing that her father was the one man who could threaten the biggest business deal of Bobby Bolton's career. His partner in the new Crazy Horse Resort and reality television show. So, Bobby left her alone. Until now. Now Stella shows up with Mickey the bodyguard and is pregnant and staying in his condo. This is a complication that can be solved only one way: marriage. Bobby wants to do the right thing. Hell, he wants her—has never stopped wanting her. Surely, he can convince her to say yes, even without those three little words...

Dianne says

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The weather's changing and it's time to cozy up with easy to read, light romance. **Expecting a Bolton Baby** by Sarah M. Anderson is a great choice if you like to watch the hero and the heroine tip toe around each

other emotionally, while denying any feelings, even to themselves! Bobby Bolton is embarking on the biggest business venture of his lifetime, one that will make people look at him as a man capable of standing on his own. Of course, his largest backer is a stodgy old man with all kinds of clauses in his contract, and Bobby needs him. The problem? There is a morality clause, seriously, no misbehaving, nothing that could sully the reputation of the powerful and wealthy Mr. Caine, a very vocal and visual proponent of the traditional family. Enter a beautiful, sexy woman who has a one night fling with Bobby, not like Mr. Caine will find out, right? Oops, seems this now very pregnant woman is Stella Caine, Mr. Caine's very own daughter. How will Bobby save his business and deal with fatherhood? Does he want to spend the rest of his life with one woman? What if that woman was Stella? You may think you can figure out the ending, but getting there is the fun part!

Sarah M. Anderson writes with a light hand, adds a few colorful characters and a few little twists just to keep things lively in this nicely paced, cozy little romance!

I received an ARC edition in exchange for my honest review from NetGalley and Harlequin Desire. *For more reviews check out Tome Tender's Book Blog or find us on Facebook.*

Nina says

Synopsis:

In this Bolton Brothers book, first comes the baby and maybe then comes marriage?

He'd never expected to see Stella Caine again. After one wild night, she'd walked away right after revealing that her father was the one man who could threaten the biggest business deal of Bobby Bolton's career. So Bobby left her alone.

Until now.

Now Stella is pregnant and staying in his condo. This is a complication that can be solved only one way: marriage. Bobby wants to do the right thing. Hell, he wants her--he has never stopped wanting her. Surely he can convince her to say yes, even without those three little words.

My Thoughts:

****3.5 Stars****

To start off, I haven't read any of the books from this series with the exception of this one. I ran across Expecting a Bolton Baby via Netgalley and requested it due to the blurb. Without the knowledge that this was part of a series, I read Expecting a Bolton Baby without any confusion so I can say that this story can be a standalone read.

Expecting a Bolton Baby was hard to put down in the beginning. I read the first half straight through and got really engaged with the story. Bobby and Stella's one night stand resulted in a baby and I admired that Bobby

man up and took responsibility when Stella came to him with the news. Bobby was ever caring, sweet, and was always putting Stella's wishes and wants before his own. Plus, he cooks and does the dishes! Now that's the kind of hero I love ;)

While I loved Bobby's character, I can't say the same for Stella unfortunately. She wasn't a bad heroine, but I had some issues with her. For one, I wished Stella could have developed more of a backbone and stood up to her father. But, she didn't. Considering her painful childhood of neglect, I could understand why she was a little cold and distant and had numerous doubts about Bobby. However, despite being an adult she was still the scared little girl. I just wanted to see growth in her character, yet that didn't happen. Furthermore, I got annoyed with Stella's internal thoughts. I understood her feelings, yet what I couldn't understand was why she didn't voice them out loud. It was as if she wanted Bobby to read her mind, but he's not a mind reader woman!

As for the epilogue, although it was a nice addition, I thought that it ended a bit abruptly. Not only that, but I would have liked to have some sense of closure between Stella and her father. Stella never confronted her father about his neglect and behavior all those years. I was looking forward to some type of discussion or confrontation, but nothing happened. I was expecting Stella to face her father, but she didn't and for that I was a little disappointed. Again, that brings me back to me wishing she could have developed more of a backbone. Then, her father just showed up at the wedding and with that it gave the impression that he just "came around." I just thought that it was too easy and unbelievable.

In the end, although this review may sound more negative than positive, *Expecting a Bolton Baby* was not a bad read. It was good and I rather enjoyed it. Yes, I had some issues with it, but for the most part it did keep me entertained.

**I received an ARC from the publisher via Netgalley for an honest review.*
