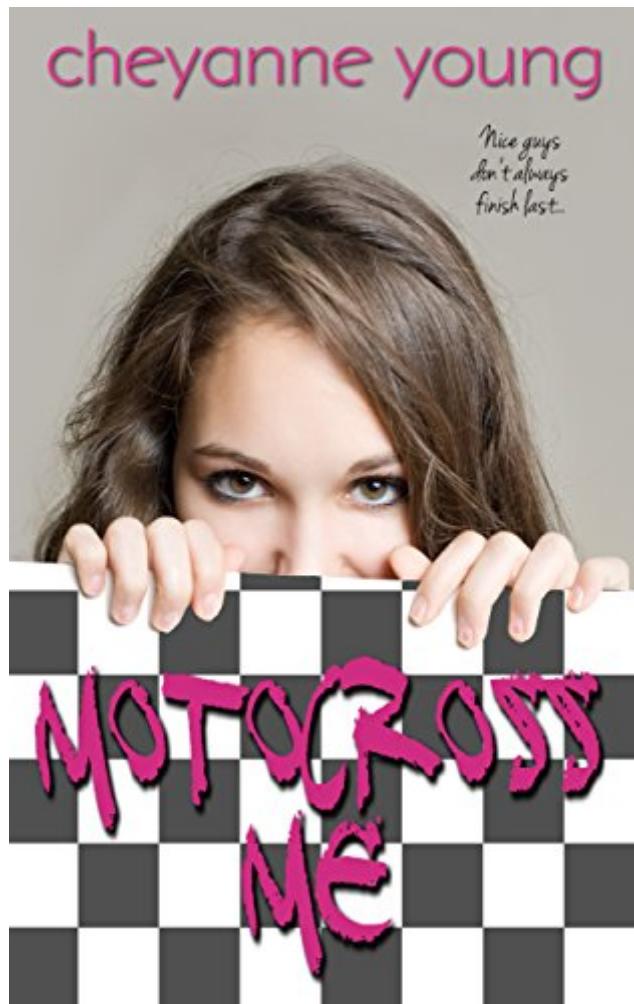


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Motocross Me



Synopsis

When Hana Fisher moves to the small town of Mixon, Texas to live with her dad, she dreads having to work at the boring pile of dirt he fondly calls a motocross track. But when she gets there, she finds the rinky-dink dirt bike track from her childhood has grown into the most respected racing track in the state - not to mention it's just crawling with hot, sweaty guys. Now popular by association, Hana endures the pain and sweat of working in the summer heat in order to fit in with a sport she's growing to love. She gets a real family, a best friend and not just one, but two of the fastest racers trying to win her heart. When Hana abuses her status as the track owner's daughter to help the gorgeous Ryan Russo cheat in the biggest race of the year, she risks more than just losing her job. Every good thing in her life is at stake now- her friends, her dad's trust, and Ash Carter- the kind-hearted racer who may not be as alluring as Ryan, but is proof that nice guys don't always finish last. The sequel, *Supercross Me*, will be released in 2016.

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Customer Reviews

"He's tall with shaggy blond hair and muscular arms. He's holding a twenty-dollar bill. He's

muscular. And he's holding a twenty-wait, I already said that."MOTOCROSS ME couldn't have been released at a better time--it is cute, funny, and has competition and romance--it's the perfect summer read. I've been looking for something a little different lately, and MOTOCROSS ME fit the bill. Let's go over a few reasons for this, shall we?1. Hot guys?Check.2. Interesting, not overused setting?Check.3. MC who works her butt off and learns to appreciate said work?Check check.(Of course, parental angst, new friends, boy problems, and a whole lot of other stuff is also mixed into this book's formula, but why give everything away?)You know how, a lot of times, summer changes things and exposes you to new people and new experiences? That's what Motocross Me is about. Hana gains a few new relationships whilst on her summer job. She also ends up seeing a few people she's known for a long time in totally different light. This not only helps her make new, more mature decisions, but, in the end, also helps her learn from her mistakes.From a storyline point of view, I enjoyed mostly everything, aside from wanting to knock some sense into Hana on occasion. At first, this started to get to me. Uh, HELLO! I wanted to yell. Make a decision, Hana!!! (Of course, I knew who I would choose--Ash. Duh.) But then I had to remember that this **is** YA, and YA has teenage protagonists, and this is the time in life where decisions are most made based on learning from your experiences and what you've been taught to expect. Once you look at it in that aspect, Hana's indecisiveness makes a whole lot more sense.I also really appreciated learning the ins and outs of a motocross track. Nothing was told in a way that became boring or overly factual, and at times I actually found myself wanting to find a race to watch on TV so I could see what was being explained! (Yes, I do feel a little bit smarter now!)I leave you with one last quote (actually the end of a chapter) that made me laugh:"Anytime." I snicker and he shakes his head at me, smiling as he drives away. I wipe my forehead and press the talk button on my walkie-talkie. "Molly, tell Shelby her brother is a dork. Over."For a fun, sweet summer read, check out MOTOCROSS ME!

I love books about motocross. As soon as I saw the title, I knew I had to read this book -- even though I'm not a huge fan of romances. Hana spends the summer with her dad in Mixon to escape from her mom's antics. While there, she works at Mixon Motocross Park, though she has no interest in dirt bikes; two of the park's most talented and attractive racers begin vying for her attention. At first, Hana is so self-centered that she's hard to relate to. Some of the other characters (like Molly) are also a bit two-dimensional -- after all, how many stepmoms are okay with their husband's daughter announcing her intent to move in and potentially never leave? Some of the romance bits also seemed too good to be true -- but that's probably because I'm not a fan of romance novels!That said, I loved the setting of a motocross park because there aren't enough stories about dirt bikes.

The action sequences were well-choreographed and the author clearly knows motocross; she didn't bog the novel down with too many explanations and the details were precise and accurate. I liked that the ending didn't end on a 100% happy note. Though I wasn't a fan of Ryan, I really liked how he challenged Hana's use of gender stereotypes. I also liked the Princess Bride references -- those added a nice pop culture bit that had me chuckling. Overall, I'd recommend it for romance fans and those who love books about two-wheeled vehicles -- I hope to see more novels about dirt bikes in the future, and I'll definitely check out the sequel for more dirt bike action.

Overall 3.5 star-Book Description: 3-Cover: 3 (original cover is a 4)-Plot: 4-Creativity: 3-Grammar: 3-Simile Use: 4.5 (minimal usage)-Description: 4-Show Not Tell: 4Motocross me is a young adult romance that features a motocross track-- what could be more cool? If she rode motocross! Nope, our main character doesn't so much as touch a dirt bike, but in my head, at some point after the novel ends she does because she realizes how awesome it is! Aside from the fact this novel is about a sport I loved and even attempted to do as a teenager, the cover of the novel grabbed me--but not the one that's on it now--the other one. I much prefer that one, graphically it's more balanced. I find the new cover to be too saturated at the bottom, and the title doesn't stand out as much. As for the plot of the novel, it was good, but I really had to keep reminding me this was a sixteen year old to keep myself from getting extremely irritated with the main character. She seems rather immature for someone who is planning to head off to college, but she does seem to grow throughout the book. I appreciated the way the author incorporated motocross and the "motocross family" as well. The novel was a romance with a love triangle, which at times I just chocked up to the immaturity of the character. I just didn't find Ryan likable at all, in any way, and saw right through him-- I was hoping she would too. Eventually she did, but not until she made a series of really stupid mistakes. I did find myself skimming towards the end of the book because it became description heavy, but I was very happy with the way the novel ended. Overall, this is a fresh summer read about a topic not a lot of romance books, or fictional books in general, really talk about. The main character had it right when she figured out motocross riders are hot. We need a few more of these, and a few less boys in bands, if I do say so myself.

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