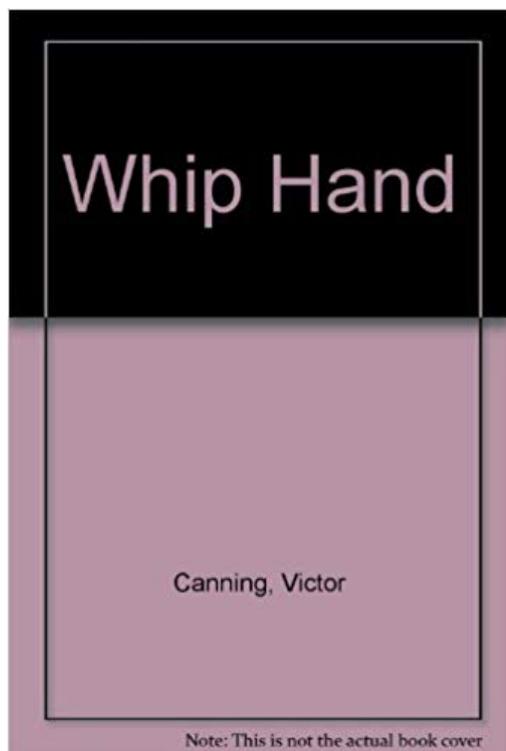


Whip Hand *by* Victor Canning



ISBN: 0860090744

ISBN13: 978-0860090748

Author: Victor Canning

Book title: Whip Hand

Pages: 416

Publisher: Magna Large Print Books; Large Print Edition (May 1977)

Language: English

Size PDF version: 1919 kb

Size ePUB version: 1632 kb

Size FB2 version: 1961 kb

Other formats: docx lit azw mobi

0860090744



Reviews of the *Whip Hand* *by* Victor Canning

NI_Rak

Rarely can you go wrong with a Dick Francis novel, especially if you like stories that take place in the world of horseracing. I've read three or four now, but I didn't know that "Whip Hand" is a sequel to another Sid Halley novel. I'll go back and read that one since I liked this one.

Sid Halley is a former jockey who can no longer race because of losing a hand in an accident when a horse fell on him. He now has a prosthetic hand that can work almost as well as the real thing. Sid has turned to private investigation now, and in this book works along with friend Chico as his assistant in an investigation that proves itself to be more dangerous than Sid ever thought it would. The frenzied wife of the trainer of several race horses calls on Sid to look into why these horses aren't winning, but are becoming weaker. They've been tested for the usual diseases that horses can get, but everything comes back negative for any

health problems. At the same time, the world of racing syndicates and bookmakers isn't very happy to have Sid and Chico snooping around in things that they consider none of his business. These areas usually governed themselves with little or no police interference.

In addition to the mystery in this book, Sid's soul searching for his own self esteem and worthiness is a good subplot and adds a lot to the book. I really enjoyed this one, although it's a little slow in the beginning, it picks up later on and has an exciting ending.

Aedem

WHIP HAND is a sequel to ODDS AGAINST, featuring champion jumping jockey Sid Halley. Sid has turned detective after an accident that robbed him of the use of his left hand and his career as a jockey.

I'd suggest that ODDS AGAINST be read first, to get the full flavor of Sid's intelligence and courage.

In this book, Sid is handling three investigations at once. First, a trainer's wife asks him to protect a horse training in their stables that's expected to win the Two Thousand Guineas. Three other favorites before this one have fizzled out mysteriously at a race they were certain to win.

Second, the head of security for the Jockey Club asks Sid to look into syndicates. A staff member has approved several that turned out to have undesirable members.

Third, Sid's ex-wife Jenny is in trouble for her involvement in a direct mail charity fraud. Her lover was the real culprit, but unless this guy can be found and exposed, Jenny could go to jail.

For my taste there's an excess of criminal activity afoot for one book. Nonetheless, the book offers an compelling study of the psychology of bullies and their victims. Sid, who everyone thinks has nerves of steel, is almost destroyed by the villains in this piece. Not just physically but in spirit.

Granigrinn

Definitely one of his best books. If you enjoy Dick Francis, you'll probably love this one. I'm a big fan and enjoy all his books. You won't be disappointed!

Larosa

I am a great fan of the Francis books and have much pleasure in re-reading them from time to time. They hold your interest from 1st to last page .Not always sure how "he" does come up triumphant? but he does, but so much physical hurts too.

Qudanilyr

I was an avid reader when I was younger, devouring books at a quick pace. I'd start one as soon as I finished another.

In past 10 years or so I forgot the pleasure a well written, fast paced book can bring. Recently, I made an effort to get back into reading and decided to go back to those authors who gave me so much enjoyment. And so I've pretty much read the entire Dick Francis collection in just under a month and have re-discovered the simple joy of reading a good book.

Whip Hand has always been one of my favourite Francis books. Sid Halley is one of his best characters. The story line for Whip Hand is, as usual, interesting on many levels.

If you like who dunnits, good writing and easy reading then you'll definitely like this book.

LoVe

A great read.

Enila

My all time favorite Dick Francis. I have read them all.

Later books not so good.

Dick Francis is one of my favorite authors!! Writes well, lots of excitement, love the characters and plot. He is pretty clean too.....no swearing and irritating slang.

Related PDF to **Whip Hand** by Victor Canning

1. [Making Nylon Whips by Shannon Reilly](#)
2. [Lynwood Palmer 1868 - 1941: Equestrian Artist, Whip and Horseman by Neil Kennedy,Robert Fountain](#)
3. [Catwoman by Elizabeth Hand](#)
4. [Quickness of the Hand by James Mayo](#)
5. [Whip Hand by Dick Francis](#)
6. [Hand to Hand Combat by Us Government](#)
7. [Whip Hand \(Windsor Selections\) by Dick Francis](#)
8. [Whip Up Mini Quilts: Patterns and How-to for 20 Contemporary Small Quilts by Leigh Beisch,Kathreen Ricketson](#)
9. [Foxhunt by Bertie Denham](#)
10. [The World of Small: Nature Explorations With a Hand Lens/Book and Hand Lens by Michael Cary Trout,Cary Trout,Michael Elsohn Ross](#)