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The real action is off the court...

The only thing on Luke Rossovich's mind is winning pro tennis tournaments. That is, until the day Jesse McAllister shows up in the locker room. Luke can't get the young blond out of his head, and soon they team up on the doubles court. Before Luke knows it, he's letting Jesse into his bed — and his heart.

Jesse doesn't see why they have to hide who they are from the world, but Luke has been in the closet for years. He's a household name with millions in endorsements to think about -- no way is he going to admit to being gay. But as his secret relationship with Jesse deepens, the rules of the game Luke's played so well suddenly seem to be changing...

Publisher's Note: This story contains explicit sexual content, graphic language, and situations that some readers may find objectionable: male/male sexual practices.

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Arch Bala says

I'm not big on tennis tbh and I just loved watching the guys in action (uhm, Rafa, duh?) so color me surprised with these "tennis (sports)-themed" stories. Here, the chemistry between Luke and Jesse was just electrifying. I loved the easy banter between them and how Luke tried to resist giving in what they both want. I loved their partnership, the way it started, and how Jesse helped Luke and vice versa. And that amazing finale! Hah! I super loved it!!! Lovely writing from Keira!

4 out of 5 stars

Jennifer?Pher? says

So very, very good. Just how a romance book should be. That end! Tears of joy!! So over the top romantic and I loved it!

Riina Y.T. says

Lovely, lovely, lovely as expected.

Thank you Keira! :)

B.A. Brock says

I had only read compilations of erotica before I read my first romance novel. Before "Love Match", I didn't know that romance could be so...touching, beautiful, and sexy. The quality of the writing blew me away as well. The characters came alive on the page.

Luke Rossovich was captivating from the beginning. Andrews' strong verbs showed me who Luke really was and what he was going through. He was believable. The first page opened the scene with Luke throwing his racket on the court and yelling at a judge for calling a shot incorrectly. He's a bad boy; arrogant, a brat, but he knows what he's doing. He's a pro.

Until Jesse comes along and throws him off his game.

Jesse's sweet and innocent goodness broke this bad boy down, and I loved watching Luke fall apart, only to be rebuilt into something stronger. When he finally succumbed to Jesse's charm...hoo boy.

It is amazing how much better a well-written romance is than erotica. Changed my life. Not only is the story better; the plot and the characters, but the sex was way hotter. You know why? Because I was invested in the characters. I was feeling what they felt on another level, and that brought me closer to them. It also helped that the scenes in this book are crazy hot and all yummy man.

Maybe the ending was too happy, but I loved it. I discovered that I'm a sap like that. I return to this book over and over again. I'd own a paperback if Loose Id had one.

Maybe "Love Match" isn't for you, I dunno. I played tennis in high school, and I know guys like Luke. I already felt grounded in the world. But if you like sports and hot man on man action, then I think you should give this book a shot. It may not change your game for good, like it did with me, but maybe you can learn a new trick or two.

If you liked this review, check out Beth's blog:
<http://www.bethbrockbooks.com>

Catherine says

***** 4.75 Stars *****

Just finished *Love Match* and - aptly - LOVED it! I loved the characters, the realistic build of the relationship, and that actions - and inaction - had consequences. ...and of course I also loved the big, sappy, hearts and flowers Hollywood ending. I loved it all!

Mandy*reads obsessively* says

Sweet story about two pro tennis players.

Luke is in his last season trying to get a few more swims in and Jesse is just starting out and working is way up.

They meet and form an immediate connection. Luke is especially deep in the closet and has other issues to deal with, but when rumors surface of the affair, they have very different ways of dealing with it.

The big finale was predictable, but still very sweet and enjoyable.

Light, feel good read!

Karen Wellsbury says

One of my favourite films is *A Star is Born*, and this is kind of a tennis take on that (but much, much happier) It did take a lot to resist making tennis jokes though

new balls ?

agirlwithoutwings says

If you are after reading a sweet, almost low-angst mm romance, this would be a good choice. Oh, and I

should add **the story is a bit predictable**, which usually is in most of the sport related mm books I've read so far, you know, when they fall for each other but don't want to come out because of their careers, etc.

However, here I wasn't that much bothered, maybe because it was a short book, and I was eagerly waiting for that ending I knew is going to come, and I really loved that and the prologue too.

But there was one thing that left me wondering and i wish it wasn't there, (view spoiler)

Bev says

4.5 stars from me for this sexy tennis read from Keira, written 10 years ago...so even then she had all the tools necessary to become the bestselling author she is today.

Luke, a 30 something closeted tennis player from California, has been very successful in the past, winning Wimbledon 3 times and several of the other Grand Slam tournaments, but who, of course, is getting older and so the wins are getting fewer and farther between. His ex coach and lover Nikolai died in a road traffic accident 3 years previously and Luke hasn't had the heart to get seriously involved with another man until he meets Jesse, a young tennis player he meets on the circuit. They start off trying to become doubles partners, and things progress from there but there is the slight problem of being in the closet and trying to keep things under wraps.

I liked both MC's, didn't care **at all** for the nasty, sneaky German champion Stein Koehler, who was sort of the pantomime villain of the piece, and am about to review the teeny, tiny sequel too City of Lights. I do love me a HEA.

Leandra says

This was so good but I'm not surprised, because I love Keira Andrews writing. Luke and Jesse were so sweet and so hot together. I also loved all the tennis talk, I find I like reading about it.

Wendy says

Sweet, fluffy and very sexy story about two hot tennisplayers. There is some drama about having to hide their relationship, because being gay and being a famous athlete is not as easy as it should be.

I really liked this one....it was also very hot :)

.Lili. says

I LOVED THIS BOOK! It had everything I was in the mood for.

- *Steamy sex ✓✓
- *Great characters ✓
- *Very easy story flow ✓
- *Heartbreak ✓
- *Heartwarming Hollywood ending ✓✓

I ended up reading it in one sitting.

Keira Andrews, this woman can write anything. No book is ever the same and I freaking love that! 4.5 Stars!
♥

Ami says

This older story (written in 2006) surely makes me all warm and fuzzy, which is a feeling I'm looking forward in romance (either m/f or m/m). The story reminds me a lot of the movie Wimbledon (2004) -- starring Paul Bettany and Kirsten Dunst. Few scenes feels similar, including that romantic ending. But I don't mind. That movie is one --one of my favorite sport-related romantic comedy movies, and probably the only one highlighting tennis.

I love the sport/athlete atmosphere in this, that the tennis matches are written as well, instead of passing information. I think the relationship is approached in right pace. I like how Luke is also written as someone with a "past" -- as he was involved in a secret relationship with his coach, who died in an accident -- before he starts this new one with Jesse. I like how Luke and Jesse have that age gap, so the reason why Luke is worried about coming out (that it will also affect Jesse's future career) is justified. I think the story is sweet and romantic, without being too over-the-top.

And of course, that ending *sigh*. If you have watched Wimbledon, well, it has the same exact effect on me. Cue: grinning widely and muttered ... awwwwwww. Yep, romantic grand gesture, it makes me all mushy. Just the kind of thing I'm looking for in romance.

AliciaJ says

I love tennis, it's one of my favorite sports to watch. So when I get to read a really good book about top male tennis stars, I'm there baby. And this one was definitely worth it. I loved it.

melek says

If you love sports in this case tennis then this is the one for you. low angst a few bumps in the road nothing major.

This one had some details of tennis matches and it was nice to have it written. It was just like watching real tennis which i loved.

Now back to story luke has been in the closet for years he had a relationship with his coach for years, no one knew but since he died he hasn't been doing well in a way. He wants to win one more grand slam to add to his collection, but what he didn't expect to fall for jesse his younger and has such a great talent to succeed. what just meant to be about tennis ends up much more. Will they survive and come out of this together or not read and enjoy the ride.
