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All Mitchell Quincey wants on his break from the Portland Storm this holiday season is to spend as much time as he can with his baby girl. If he can get his ex-wife to agree to joint custody, then it'll be a holiday worth celebrating. But when he shows up on Mia's doorstep, for the first time ever, Mitch is thrown off his game. He's still 100% in love with her.

Mitch's unannounced arrival has Mia all out of sorts. To argue over the phone is one thing, but looking at the one man she'll always love is harder than she thought. With her family surrounding them, Mia tries to keep Mitch at bay, but he's always been able to leave her flustered—and hot.

Suddenly, Mitch changes gears and has only one goal in sight: win back Mia's heart for good. With assists from her family and a bit of mistletoe magic, Mitch just might end up with a Holiday Hat Trick.

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LaFleurBleue says

I really liked the hero and his willingness to compromise and get to spend time with his baby girl. It was honestly much more difficult to relate with Mia, the ex-wife. As of now, I still haven't completely understood why she suddenly jumped overboard and launched the divorce procedure, instead of first taking a break and a breather to both think about the relationship and who she was. She struck me as rather immature and not completely worthy of his love for her. Maybe that came from the format of the short story that started after the divorce, instead of showing how she was drawn to that and felt there was no other way for her.

Casey Leigh says

A sweet Christmas time Portland Storm novella where trifecta goals are set to ascertain and bonus festive magic comes into play with a little bit of family interference. Love never dies but can change over time.

Siran says

...or Q's Three Goals

In hockey, a hat trick is three goals (in one game) from the same player.

In the Portland Storm series, the term is used in life.

Mitch Quincey has "three goals" he would like to score during the Christmas break. However, none of the goals have anything to do with hockey.

As a novella, is book is a quick read or listen. This is always a plus with me.

Holiday Hat Trick is listed as 4.5 in the series about a fictional hockey team. The Storm are a team that I am a fan of since reading Light the Lamp.

Julie says

This novella was OK; not my favorite by far, but it was good enough. We didn't really know Mitch going into this story, so I wasn't as excited to read it in the first place.

I thought Mia was selfish. Don't get me wrong, I can understand her issue, but I don't think ripping a baby away from a loving father, a man that Mia herself loves and who loves her, was the right thing to do. I've had to live through moving a number of times for my husband's career. I wasn't happy about it and had difficulty adjusting, knowing we'd likely move in a couple of years. I didn't react by divorcing him and taking our

children back to my home state. I sucked it up and rebuilt my life every time. She knew what she was getting into when she married a professional athlete. My husband wasn't even in the same profession when we first married. He got into it after seven years.

Anyway, it was really difficult for me to connect with Mia, but I liked Mitch, and it was a short book, so I read it. It doesn't really add to the series, but maybe it will later on.

Marisela Chavez says

I just loved getting a glimpse of Mitch life outside of the Portland Storm and how determine he was when he got home. Yes he had three task when he arrived for Christmas break. It was great to see Mia and Mitch in their relationship and seem them with there little girl Marley. I really enjoyed this story.

Lora says

Mitch and Mia were another powerhouse couple. I understood Mia's need to find herself, but I really felt myself falling for Mitch and wishing better for him the entire book. His determination to be the best father for his little girl led to him spending his holiday break with his ex-wife's family for goodness sake! What does that say about his dedication? Of course, Mia wasn't as against it all as she was trying to pretend and the great story that was told in such a short book was again well told and made me want to see more of them in the future books!!!

Irina says

What a wonderful (Christmas) novella! One of the best stories in this series so far. Mitch is an absolutely adoring hero - where has he been all along?

Ausführliche Rezension auf Deutsch: <http://buecher.ueber-alles.net/?p=20361>

Simonne says

One of my favourites in the series (along with Breakaway and Light the Lamp). A true novella, this is quite short at around 8 chapters. The sexual tension and chemistry is palpable and I had this warm, fuzzy feeling the entire time while reading. It reads like a dream, with no fillers - just pure, raw emotion. It's really the first time we've seen Mitch, and Mia is completely new. I loved these characters and just found this story to be simply perfect. I did miss the others, but they'll be back! :-)

Romantic Intentions Quarterly says

HAVE YOU READ? SPORTS REC

If you love hockey and you love the holidays, then a visit with Catherine Gayle's Portland Storm boys in "Holiday Hat Trick" is certainly worth your time. This novella features relative newcomer to the team, Mitchell "Q" Quincy, in a bid to spend time with his baby daughter over Christmas and finalize his divorce from ex-wife, Mia. But is Mia really as ex as she thinks she is? Could it be that her family might become theirs once again? It will be, if they have anything to say about it! A sexy, sassy addition to a fun, adrenaline-fueled series.

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Nancy Stopper says

Holiday Hat Trick is a sweet holiday read. Getting to know Mitch in this family environment, you'd never know he was a tough hockey player. He's an alpha-male, most definitely, but sensitive and emotional. He owns his feelings and isn't afraid to show them. He's also a great father and uncle and that comes through clearly in the story.

I think showing Mia's perspective in this story is really interesting. Albeit a high profile, unusual marriage, the issues that she experienced were real - losing yourself to your marriage. And she hadn't even had children yet. How many women can say they lost who they were when they married and had a family. It was great to show how she has discovered who she can be and finds a way to do so with Mitch.

Dali says

The perfect holiday novella to snuggle up with. Holiday Hat Trick, like all of Catherine Gayle's books, tugs at your heartstrings and give you the warm fuzzies.

Mitch and Mia, and everyone around them, thought they belong together since high school. But Mitch's job put a big strain in their relationship, forcing them to get a divorce.

When Mitch "Q" Quincey from the Portland Storm sets out for his three day holiday break and his three goals in mind, he never thought a deviation from them is just what he wanted but never thought he could have.

"I felt as though I had come home. But this wasn't my home anymore. This wasn't my family anymore. No matter how much I wanted them, no matter how readily they might still accept me, if I couldn't be with Mia, I didn't really belong."

Having her ex-husband intrude in her family holiday festivities is not what Mia had planned. But now that she has a better foothold on herself and life, could Mitch's unexpected visit be the perfect second chance to have it all?

"He was air, and he brought the dying parts of me back to life, filled the hollowness with a desperate sort of hope."

I love how Catherine make us feel for these characters who easily find a way to your heart with their charm and all around good, loving nature. It was so sweet how family and friends teamed to give these two the nudged they needed. It was equally pleasing how both Mitch and Mia communicated to work through their issues. And let's not forget about the smile inducing romance.

This short story packs a powerful fun, heartwarming punch full of hope and love and lots of holiday fun. Holiday Hat Trick is a standalone novella from the Portland Storm series (#5.5) by Catherine Gayle.

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Ruth says

I liked him and kinda wanted to smack her. Like, you got a divorce instead of couples counseling? Therapy? Something? With a small child involved? REALLY???

Tina "IRead2Escape" says

Hotness Rating 3 out of 5

Review to come...

Christine~justlovelybooks.com blog~ says

3 1/2 stars! This was a cute read as far as holiday stories go. I did miss the rest of the team however.

Dar says

Have the tissues handy, this one will have you teared up from start to end!
