



'We shall go to the ocean, Oddsock. They said that it is very, very big, as big as the sky.'

The donkey nodded its head, then shook it, watching the young boy, looking for guidance, a restlessness twitching in its body. He knew they should move on, get away from this place, but he was bound to the boy. They were twins, born of different mothers, he with one leg black to the knee, the only blemish on a grey coat, while the boy carried a strange pigmentation disorder that left one arm a pale pink to the elbow in contrast to the rich brown of his body, earning him the nickname of Whitearm.

So begins Whitearm's journey of discovery and growth.

*A Donkey Called Oddsock* is John Samson's fourth book and is a moving tale of the relationship between a young boy and a donkey somewhere in war-torn Africa.

#### About the author

Having had friends and others comment favourably on his writing but not being able to find an agent, John looked to self-publish. *Cold Fiction* was the outcome. Having discovered TSL Pub, he is in the process of moving his self-published novels to us. *Shaka are Dead* was his first novel published by TSL. *Powerless* was his first written novel and was the second to be published. *Reading Lady Chatterley in Africa* is John's third novel. *A Donkey Called Oddsock* is his most recent book.

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John's writing draws on his South African upbringing, exploring themes around reconciliation between different groups of people and circumstances. He enjoys travelling to unusual destinations.

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