

Lockdown Life is a collection of stories

from the Borders, the UK and across the World, contributed by ordinary people of all ages and interests, relating their personal experiences of how Covid19 has affected them, their children, education, work, health, leisure and life in general.

The book took life from the exchanges between members of a walking group in the Scottish Borders, maintaining internet contact with each other in Lockdown. This rapidly expanded as many others joined in. From Orkney to Oxford and beyond, across France, Germany, Islands in the Med, then Australia, Hong Kong, Japan and the USA. People in the thick of the action tell of how they cope. Within a diverse variety, the very young compare the generosity of fairies on losing their teeth, the education system is shown to be fractured, those at the sharp end tell how the NHS does its best to cope, businesses adapt to changes inside and outside the workplace, working from home, furlough and the anxiety that brings, and how the sick and elderly manage to survive, and for some it is the end.

Doctor, dentist, nurse, churches, hotels, factories, distillery, medical practices, airports, playing the pipes, organising pop-concert world-tours, public transport, the initial stampede by people of all nations to stockpile toilet rolls, and horses on furlough. Across the world a wave of anxiety accepts that lifestyle changes will emerge in the years ahead, most are prepared to meet this challenge, but the elderly defer the thought and reflect on the freedom and stability of life before Covid19.

This has something for everyone, hardship, reality and humour. Pocket sized with nearly 150 pages, illustrations and colour, good price, good cause, good Christmas present! Buy now before stocks run out !

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