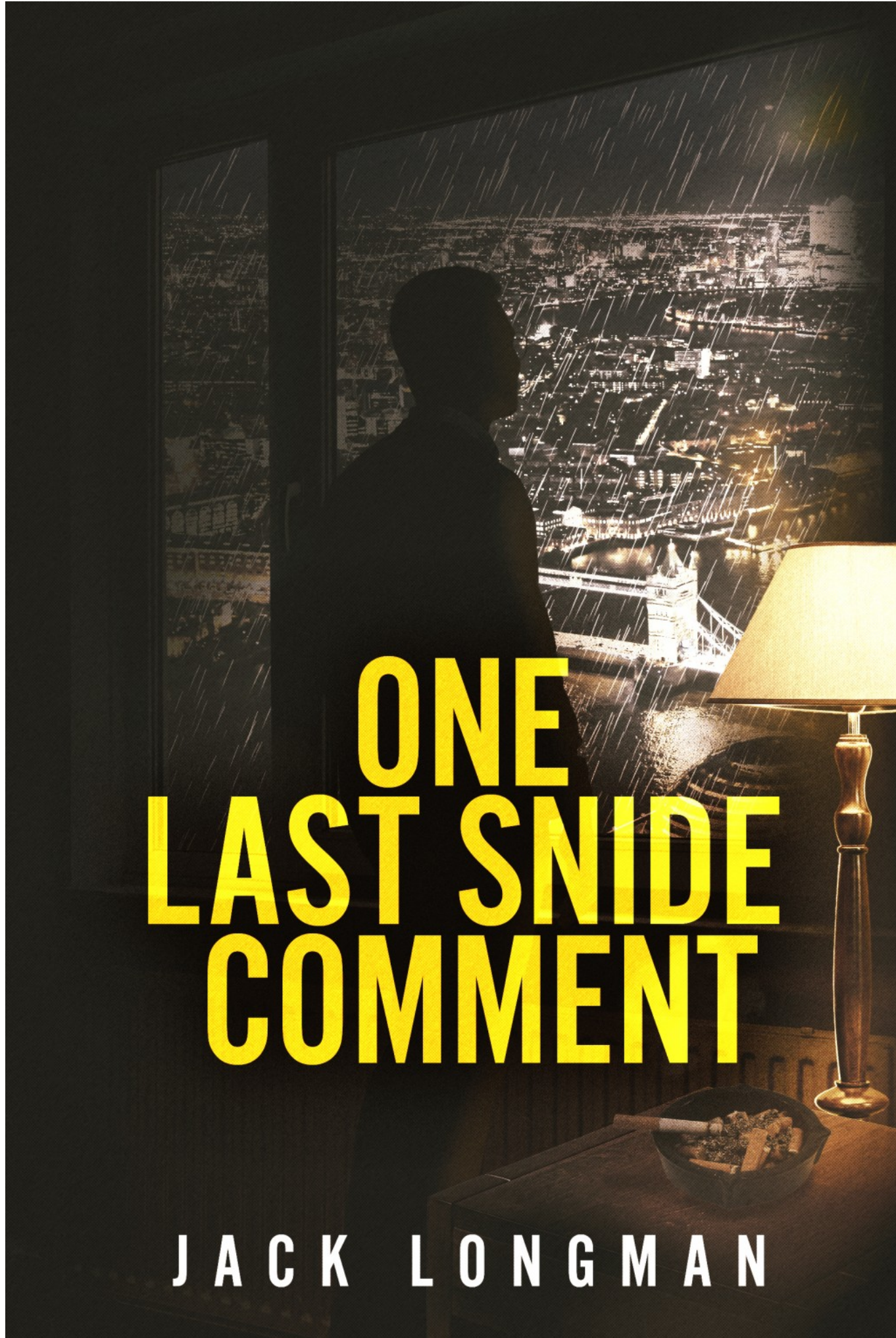


Jack Longman's One Last Snide Comment Explores Grief, Addiction, Love, and the Struggle to Keep Going



ONE LAST SNIDE COMMENT

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Tomah, Wisconsin Aug 29, 2026 ([IssueWire.com](https://www.issuewire.com)) - British author **Jack Longman** invites readers into the fractured world of Sam Snider in his novel *One Last Snide Comment*, a darkly humorous and emotionally uncompromising story about grief, addiction, fractured family relationships, love, and the difficult business of simply carrying on.

At the center of the novel is **Sam Snider**, a once-promising writer whose life has dramatically unraveled following the death of his parents in a plane crash. Three years later, Sam is living in a rundown London flat, drinking heavily, smoking constantly, taking freelance work, and attempting to keep his alcoholic sister, Gabby, from spiraling further.

Over the course of one chaotic week, Sam's carefully damaged existence begins to unravel. His encounters with old relationships, family conflicts, the publishing industry, and people living on society's margins force him to confront the life he has created—and the person he has become.

At the emotional heart of the story is **Rosy**, a sex worker who has become Sam's closest confidante and occasional lover. Their complicated relationship becomes one of the few genuine connections remaining in his life. When Sam attempts to offer Rosy a way out of the life she has built, she challenges him to confront his own destructive choices instead.

Meanwhile, Sam's estranged brother is preparing for a wedding that falls on the anniversary of their parents' death, reopening old wounds within the family. Gabby's unpredictable friend Taylor further complicates matters after discovering one of Sam's unpublished manuscripts and sending it to a major publisher without his permission.

As the week reaches its breaking point, Sam finds himself facing several possible futures: a potential publishing deal, reconciliation with his sister, a chance at a life with Rosy, or the possibility of abandoning everything.

Rather than providing an easy resolution, Longman leaves Sam and the reader at a crossroads.

The result is a novel that refuses to neatly resolve the consequences of grief and self-destruction. *One Last Snide Comment* asks what happens when pain becomes so deeply embedded in a person's identity that moving forward can feel more frightening than remaining broken.

A Story Born From the Complicated Nature of Grief

For Longman, the novel grew from an interest in the messy aftermath of loss rather than grief itself.

"Life is not easy, and grief is even harder," Longman explains. "It comes at us in many different ways, and you never know when the next blow will land or how hard it will hit."

Through Sam Snider, Longman explores the contradictory ways people respond to suffering and how grief can make someone withdrawn, selfish, destructive, and difficult to love while still leaving room for tenderness and genuine connection.

Sam is intentionally imperfect. He is neither a traditional hero nor an easily sympathetic protagonist. Instead, he represents someone struggling under the weight of unresolved loss while repeatedly making choices that threaten to push away the people who care about him.

For Longman, that contradiction is central to the novel.

“Sam is not a hero, and he is not always likeable. He is simply a person trying—and often failing—to live with the weight of what he has lost.”

Rather than offering simple answers, *One Last Snide Comment* explores the uncomfortable reality that some wounds do not heal neatly and that people carrying those wounds are still worthy of being seen.

Meet Jack Longman

Jack Longman is a British author and father of two who has been writing stories since the age of eight, when he dreamed of becoming the youngest published author in the world.

Although that record never came to pass, the ambition sparked a lifelong dedication to storytelling.

Over the past 25 years, Longman has written across multiple forms and genres, including short stories, novellas, screenplays, full-length novels, song lyrics, and poetry collections. His writing is characterized by a distinctive voice that combines dark humor, blunt honesty, emotional intensity, and sharp observations about human behavior.

Currently engaged to a woman he describes as his biggest supporter, Longman continues to draw inspiration from family life and everyday experiences as he develops bold, voice-driven narratives.

One Last Snide Comment establishes the literary voice Longman intends to carry into his future work, including his upcoming dystopian satire *Great British Rail*.

The World of S.S. SNYDER Continues

Longman has also expanded the fictional literary universe surrounding Sam Snider through **The Lost Works of S.S. SNYDER**, an ongoing collection of short stories and poems presented as the fictional works of Sam Snider.

The collection has continued to grow throughout 2026, giving readers additional opportunities to explore the character and world beyond the pages of *One Last Snide Comment*.

Recent entries include:

- “**Don't Think (15)**” — Short Story, June 14, 2026
- “**Little Ember, I Remember (12)**” — Poem, June 21, 2026
- “**SMILE (15)**” — Short Story, July 5, 2026
- “**Smoke & Mirrors (15)**” — Short Story, August 9, 2026
- “**Hold Me Fondly (15)**” — Short Story, August 16, 2026

Longman has indicated that more short stories and poems will continue to be added to the collection.

The author has also created “**The Other Side,**” a companion song written specifically to complement

One Last Snide Comment and help convey the emotional atmosphere surrounding certain scenes in the novel.

A Warning Shot for What Comes Next

Longman describes *One Last Snide Comment* as an introduction to the kind of storytelling he intends to pursue: cynical, darkly comic, emotionally honest, and unwilling to smooth over uncomfortable subjects simply to make readers comfortable.

His next novel, *Great British Rail*, promises to push that approach even further.

Where *One Last Snide Comment* focuses intensely on one man's emotional and personal collapse, *Great British Rail* expands Longman's scope into a darker dystopian world filled with sharper satire, heightened circumstances, and an increasingly extreme examination of desire, power, desperation, and the systems people create.

As Longman puts it:

"*One Last Snide Comment*" was the warning shot. *Great British Rail* is the full escalation."

For Readers Who Want Stories Without Easy Answers

One Last Snide Comment is a novel for readers drawn to complicated characters, dark humor, emotionally difficult stories, and narratives that refuse to provide convenient answers.

It is a story about people who are hurting, people who make mistakes, and people who continue searching for connection even when their lives appear to be falling apart.

Ultimately, Sam Snider's story leaves readers with a question rather than a conclusion:

When everything you've built has turned to ash, what do you do with whatever remains?

One Last Snide Comment by **Jack Longman** is now available through major booksellers and digital reading platforms.

Where to Find the Book

Amazon UK:

<https://www.amazon.co.uk/Last-Snide-Comment-Jack-Longman-ebook/dp/B0H35B2Y76>

Waterstones:

<https://www.waterstones.com/book/one-last-snide-comment/jack-longman/9784824189950>

Barnes & Noble:

<https://www.barnesandnoble.com/w/one-last-snide-comment-jack-longman/1150279959>

About Jack Longman

Jack Longman is a British author, father of two, and lifelong storyteller. Writing since the age of eight, he has spent more than two decades developing stories across novels, short fiction, screenplays,

poetry, and music. His work combines dark humor, emotional honesty, unconventional characters, and a willingness to explore uncomfortable aspects of human nature.

Author Website:

<https://jacklongmanauthor.com/>

Media & Promotional Materials:

Longman's author website features additional stories from the S.S. SNYDER universe, author interviews, and the companion piece *The Other Side*, providing readers with an expanded look into the world surrounding *One Last Snide Comment*.

The Spotlight Network on One Last Snide Comment by Jack Longman:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k-wVQQokTrE>



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