

The Jack Haligo Newsletter – June 2025

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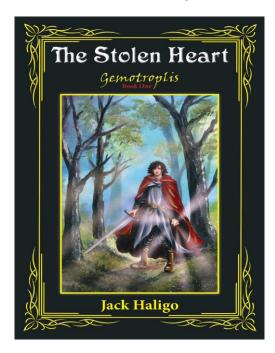




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Best Highlight



My best highlight this year was a book swap with *David Walliams* – he is the fantastic author, actor of *Little Britain* and judge on Britain's *Got Talent*.

He took a copy of the Stolen Heart home to read on the plane.

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Gemotro of the Month



Gromblers tend to be fond of exploring caves and rocky terrain, and it is not uncommon to unearth Grombler fossils underground. Their origins are unknown.

A cobbler is a special grombler, much larger and more muscular than other gromblers. They use massive wooden clubs, which are swung over strong shoulders. Sometimes they also threw mountain boulders and started avalanches to kill folk. It had pasty white skin to blend into snowy, stony surroundings.

Grombler (Bracklia)

Grombler is a strong, aggressive Ruby Gemotro, with a pungent stench. It's not unusual to smell Grombler tracks days after. Hence, they are relatively easy to track, but why would you? A massive jaw, a firm grip, and razor-sharp teeth.

Gromblers come in a variety of species, but the most common are those that infest the Banderian forest. Their skin is tough, and they are an excellent source of leather for the locals. The leather is waterproof and can be easily fashioned into gloves, coats, boots, or even tents for the ruby mines. They are also a good source of meat in stews if one can manage to kill one and has a good recipe for cooking the tough meat.

The most dangerous grombler from Ravena is the 'Bracklia', a formidable predator, thought to be extinct. Its body resembled a monstrous, magical amalgamation of molten basalt and flesh, its thick, armoured hide undulating like flowing lava. It was another special species of grombler, like the cobbler. The Bracklia does not hunt in forests or cold mountains; it instead loves the volcanic heat and ash of Ravena. Its lava-like presence not only served as a ferocious weapon, one grasp could burn through your flesh, but its natural light also helped the Bracklia see in the dimly lit tubes of the volcano where it was born and lives.

Character Spotlight



Poor Rusty is so anxious and burdened by the fears that life presents. His only wish, the precious dream of friendship with Lustre, unfolds against the backdrop of his remarkable discovery of the Heart of Gemotronia, *Rusty*, the wistful 15-year-old lad with memories steeped in simplicity, an orphan and a humble ruby miner, standing at 160 cm with his fair complexion, bright red hair, and gentle brown eyes. A Banderian at heart, born rot 407 during the enchanting 3rd gelum.