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THE PORTSMOUTH ALARM
December 1774

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Synopsis
Young Andrew Beckett hopes to be a doctor. Jack Cochran plans to take over his father’s position as militia captain of the fort. Then Paul Revere rides into town with urgent news that changes their lives forever. The Portsmouth Alarm: December 1774 is based on an actual event. On December 13 1774 just four months before the events in Lexington and Concord Massachusetts Paul Revere delivered a message to the Portsmouth, New Hampshire Committee of Correspondence. The message warned of General Gage’s shocking plan for the Piscataqua Region sparking hundreds in New Hampshire and Massachusetts (now Maine) to take action.

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Customer Reviews
With my experience as an English/Language Arts teacher for grades 6-8 Terri DeMitchell’s books have been enjoyed by my students. ’The Portsmouth Alarm’ is a well written account of historical events through the lens of young students living during the time period. I was engaged the whole time.

The NHMagazine.com wrote of DeMitchell’s book, "She wrote the book for young adults but I, a bit older than that, enjoyed it immensely."Ditto!! I am an adult and I liked it too. The main characters are fictional teenagers but they struggle side by side with real adults. It is a great read, an engaging story with complex characters facing a pivotal personal and historical challenge during two days in December of 1774.
I was thoroughly engaged in the characters and historical facts of The Portsmouth Alarm! Learning about a key event in history has never been more enjoyable.

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