

Oliver Poole

Oliver Poole was the West Coast correspondent for the Daily Telegraph from September 2001 until the spring of 2004. In 2003 he was embedded with the Third Infantry Division of the US Army during its push from Kuwait to Baghdad. He was until recently the Iraq Correspondent of the Daily Telegraph, based in Baghdad. He is presently researching his next book.



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BLACK KNIGHTS: ON THE BLOODY ROAD TO BAGHDAD 2003

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In a gripping and action-packed narrative Oliver Poole describes how he came to be "embedded" in the US tank and infantry company known as the Black Knights: the first unit in the Third Infantry Division to engage in combat when, twelve hours after crossing the Kuwait border, it helped seize an airfield in the outskirts of Nasiriyah. His company was at the head of a column that fought its way through Republican Guard units on the day the American army reached the outskirts of Baghdad, and finally led the advance from the west into the centre of Saddam Hussein's capital. Oliver Poole has written a compelling, honest and brave fly-on-the-wall account of what frontline combat action meant in the first major war of the 21st century.