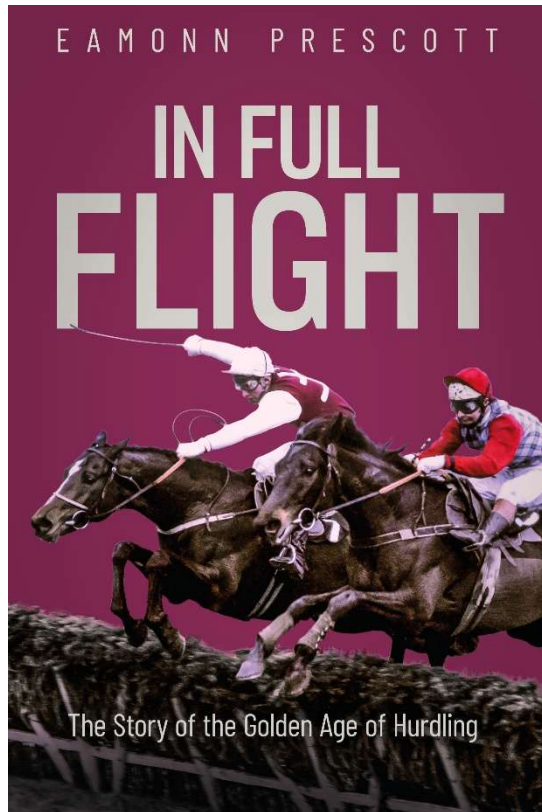




Title information



In Full Flight

The Story of the Golden Age of Hurdling

By Eamonn Prescott

Key features

- First ever book devoted to UK hurdling's golden age
- Persian War's ill-fated trip to France amid a foot-and-mouth outbreak
- How Fred Winter masterminded Lanzarote's shock victory over Comedy of Errors in the Champion Hurdle and the fallout that followed
- The rise of Night Nurse and his unbeaten season, plus his incredible dead heat with Monksfield
- How Monksfield recovered from serious illness to triumph at Cheltenham
- How Sea Pigeon finally secured the title at the age of ten and became the greatest dual-code horse in history
- Publicity campaign planned including radio, newspapers, websites, podcasts and magazines

Description

In Full Flight is the untold story of the golden age of UK hurdling, spanning 1968 to 1981. This was a period when eight of the 12 highest-rated hurdlers of all time competed, producing the strongest Champion Hurdle field ever seen, the sport's highest-ever rating, four dual champions, a three-time winner and some of the greatest rivalries, both on and off the course. The book brings this extraordinary era to life through a treasure trove of enthralling tales. Learn about the over-intrusive owner of Persian War, the initial scepticism surrounding Bula, the intrigue behind Comedy of Errors' purchase, the tactical masterplan for Lanzarote and Night Nurse's invincible season. It tells the rags to riches tale of Monksfield, of Sea Pigeon's brilliance as the greatest dual-code horse, plus the poignant story of Golden Cygnet – a talent cut short, yet remembered as a horse that might have been the greatest of them all.

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