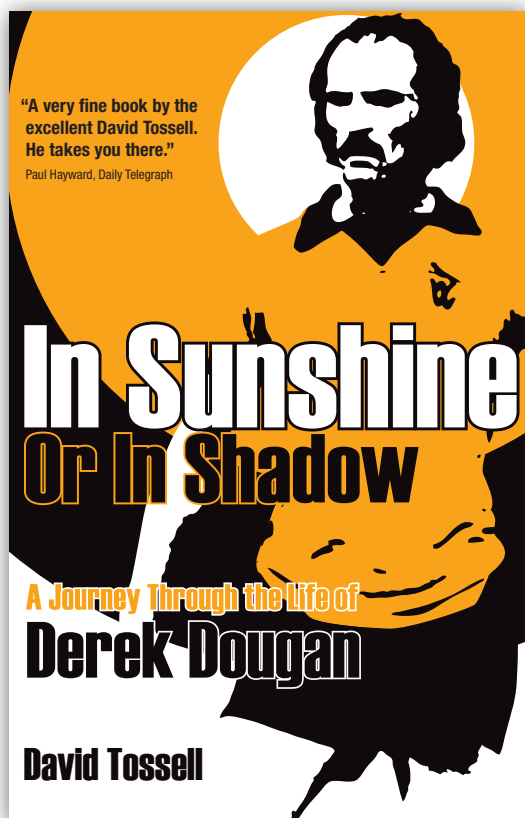




Title information



In Sunshine Or In Shadow

A Journey Through the
Life of Derek Dougan

By David Tossell

Key features

- Derek Dougan asked respected sports author David Tossell to work with him on a new autobiography, but died before they could begin work on the book
- *In Sunshine Or In Shadow* is the result of the year after Dougan's death Tossell spent retracing the steps of his life
- The book travels from Dougan's roots in Belfast through his playing career to the battles he waged as a football executive and campaigning chairman of the PFA
- With unprecedented access to family members, the book includes more than 70 new interviews with Dougan's team-mates, family, friends – and enemies
- This is the paperback edition of the definitive account of one of football's most contradictory and iconic figures

Description

Derek Dougan was no ordinary footballer. A flamboyant Northern Irish goalscorer, his unwillingness to accept injustice and mismanagement won him as many enemies as friends. Shortly after being asked to collaborate on a new autobiography, a project undone by Dougan's sudden death, David Tossell set out to retrace his life through a series of over 70 interviews. The result is a definitive account of a contradictory icon with a unique place in the evolution of modern British football. Dougan demanded a transfer on the eve of an FA Cup final, quoted Voltaire and fell out with various clubs. As chairman of the PFA, he fought for freedom of contract; as a club executive, he introduced shirt sponsorship; and 'The Doog' saved Wolves from extinction. *In Sunshine Or In Shadow* is described by *Daily Telegraph* chief sportswriter Paul Hayward as, "A very fine book by the excellent David Tossell" – and it reveals the darkness and light of Derek Dougan, the drive and demons that kept him fighting to the very end.

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