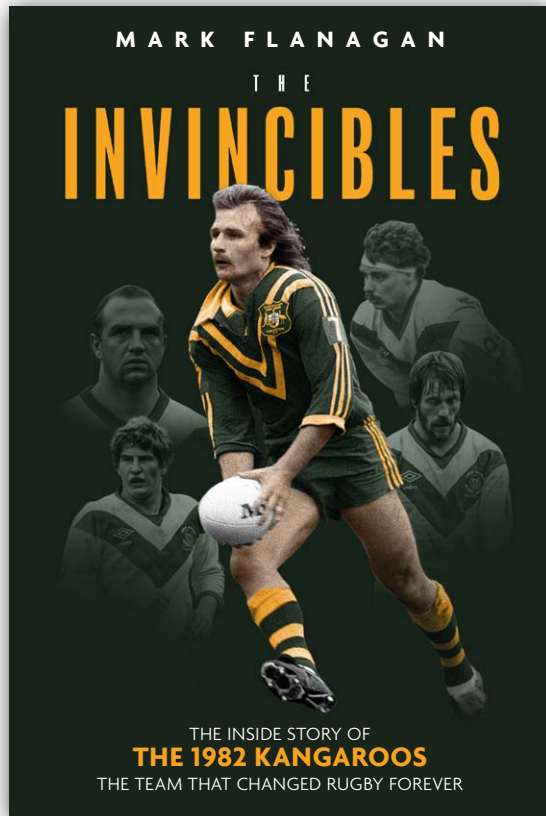




Title information



The Invincibles

The Inside Story of the 1982 Kangaroos, the Team That Changed Rugby Forever

By Mark Flanagan

Key features

- First-hand accounts from dozens of British players and coaches who faced the challenge of the tourists
- Never-before-told stories from the tour from both Australian and British players
- Written by Mark Flanagan, respected sports journalist who has been covering rugby league since 1995
- Colour photo section to tie in with the text, including never-before-seen images of the matches
- Charity dinner to launch the book planned around the time of the Challenge Cup Final
- Publicity campaign planned including radio, newspapers, websites and magazines

Description

In the autumn of 1982 a youthful Australian rugby league squad embarked on a 22-leg tour of the UK and France, with the highlight of three Test matches against Great Britain. Four years earlier the Kangaroos had won a close-fought series 2-1, and another titanic struggle was expected. But this new generation of Aussies proved extraordinarily brilliant. The likes of Mal Meninga, Brett Kenny, Eric Grothe, Wayne Pearce, Peter Sterling and Wally Lewis played an exhilarating brand of high-risk, free-flowing rugby which dazzled British fans. The tourists made history by winning every game, marking the start of a golden era for Test rugby league – and many of the Australian stars went on to enjoy successful stints playing club rugby in England, famously Meninga (St Helens), Sterling (Hull) and Kenny (Wigan). As a rugby league side the Aussies had everything, and became known as the Invincibles. This is their story, told by those who faced the challenge of tackling one of world sport's greatest ever teams.

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