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The Thin White Line

The Inside Story of Cricket's Greatest Scandal

By Nick Greenslade

Key features

- Genuine insider account of a global story that rocked cricket, still reverberates in the sport, but has never been properly told before in this country or in Asia
- Benefits from exclusive access to *News of the World* documents which have never previously been published
- Author's extensive contacts with international cricketers, commentators, reporters, officials and lawyers involved; these combine to provide a compelling narrative of a case that often reads more like fiction than fact
- Publication timed to coincide with the tenth anniversary of the scandal
- Publicity campaign planned including radio, newspapers, websites, podcasts and magazines

Description

The Thin White Line tells the explosive story of the spot-fixing scandal of 2010, which sent shockwaves through the sport. It stunned the wider sporting world and confirmed the reputation of the *News of the World's* Mazher Mahmood as the most controversial news reporter of his generation. It was the start of a stunning chain of events that saw the *News of the World* shut down, Pakistan captain Salman Butt and bowlers Mohammad Asif and Mohammad Amir banned and sent to prison, before Mahmood himself ended up behind bars. This gripping, forensic account takes the reader through the twists and turns of those fateful days late one August and beyond. For the first time, it shines a light on the tradecraft of the *News of the World* team and how they exposed the criminal scheming of the cricketers and their fixer Mazhar Majeed. It reveals how deeply fixing had penetrated the Pakistan dressing room, and lifts the lid on the black arts of investigative reporting which would eventually prove Mahmood's undoing.

Details

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