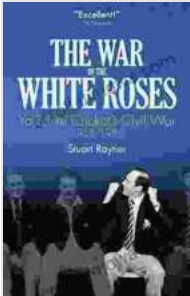


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The Yorkshire Cricket Civil War was a period of turmoil and division within Yorkshire County Cricket Club that lasted from 1968 to 1986. The book 'Yorkshire Cricket Civil War 1968-1986: The Inside Story' tells the full story of this fascinating and controversial period in the club's history.

The book is written by David Hopps, a respected cricket journalist who has covered Yorkshire County Cricket Club for over 40 years. Hopps has interviewed many of the key figures involved in the Civil War, including Ray Illingworth, Brian Close, Fred Trueman, John Hampshire and Geoffrey Boycott. As a result, the book provides a unique and authoritative account of events.

The Yorkshire Cricket Civil War began in 1968 when Ray Illingworth was appointed as captain of Yorkshire. Illingworth was a controversial figure, and his appointment led to a split in the dressing room. Some players, such as Brian Close and Fred Trueman, were unhappy with Illingworth's leadership style. Others, such as John Hampshire and Geoffrey Boycott, supported Illingworth.

The division within the dressing room led to a number of on-field incidents. In 1970, Hampshire and Boycott were involved in a public spat during a match against Warwickshire. In 1971, Close was dropped from the team after a disagreement with Illingworth. The following year, Trueman retired from cricket after being dropped by Illingworth.

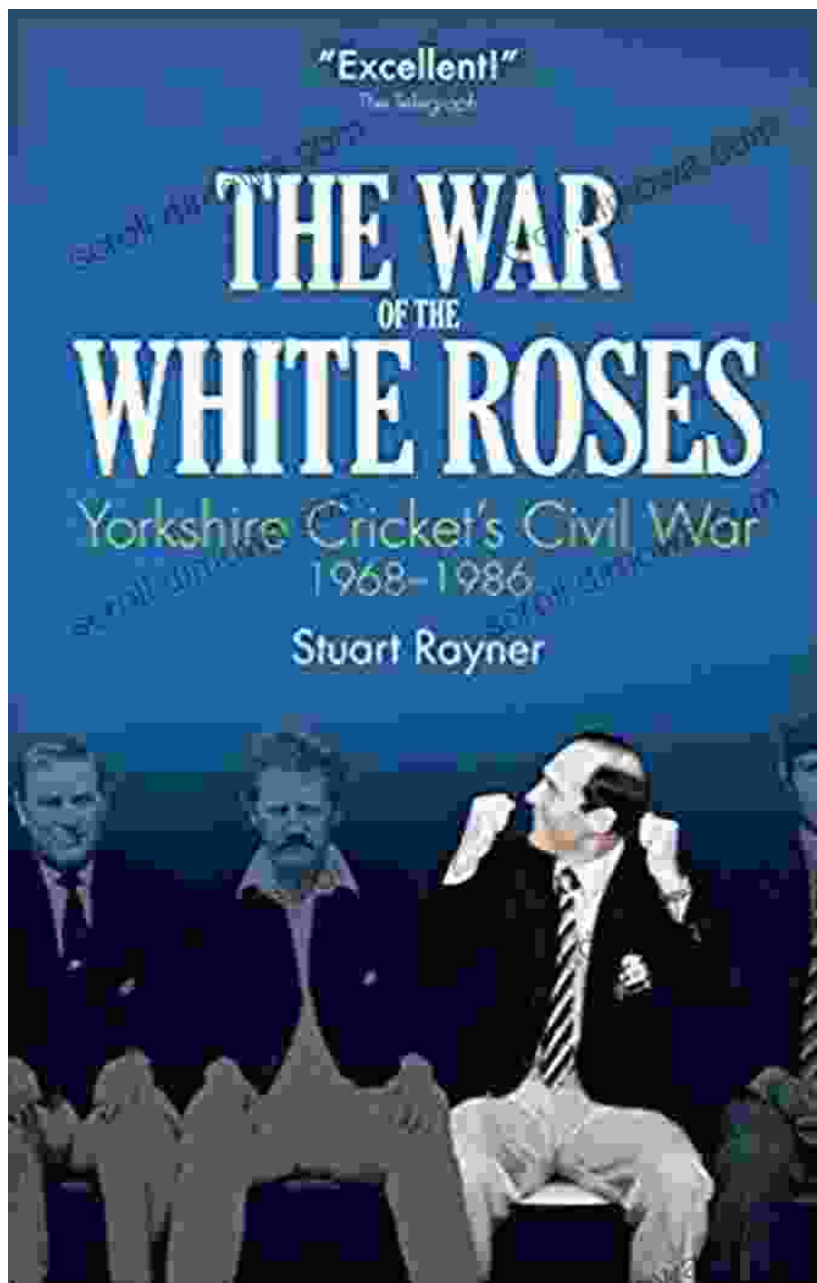
The Yorkshire Cricket Civil War reached its peak in 1974 when Close and Illingworth were both sacked by the club. The sackings led to a mass exodus of players from Yorkshire. Hampshire, Boycott, and several other players left the club to join other counties.

The Yorkshire Cricket Civil War had a profound impact on the club. The club was divided, and its reputation was damaged. It took many years for Yorkshire to recover from the Civil War.

'Yorkshire Cricket Civil War 1968-1986: The Inside Story' is a fascinating and well-written account of one of the most turbulent periods in Yorkshire County Cricket Club's history. The book is a must-read for any fan of Yorkshire cricket or anyone interested in the history of the sport.

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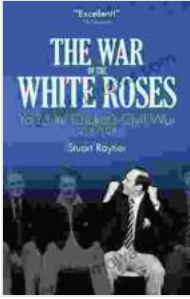
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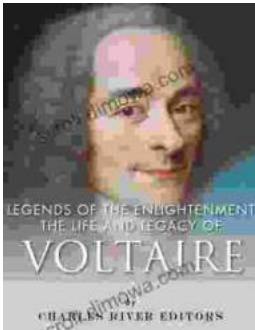
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