

REVIEWS FOR FINAL INNINGS

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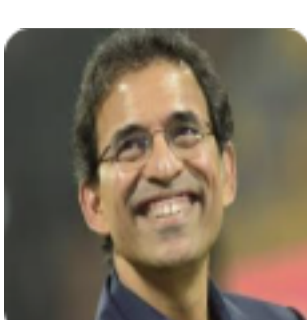


SUSHIL DOSHI

Holder of India's fourth highest civilian honour, the Padma Shri, for his contributions to sports. The commentators' box at the Holkar Stadium in Indore has been named 'Sushil Doshi Commentators' Box' in his honour.

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Ramdas Upreti lived his life immersed in cricket, and through it discovered a way of making a difference where it matters. All this comes together in a novel that is enticing.



HARSHA BHOGL

Pre-eminent Indian cricket commentator and journalist, and on the Board of Governors of IIM-Udaipur.

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'Final Innings' picks a bold, fresh premise, and delivers on it completely. Ramdas Upreti is no cardboard-cutout celebrity cricketer, but a fully fleshed out, authentic, sympathetic character, and his travails both on and off the pitch make for riveting reading. The prose is terse, yet tender when it needs to be, self-deprecatingly humorous and tongue-in-cheek at times, and the world of terrorism, espionage, bluff and double bluff is fully realized. Read this for an insight into the mind of a world-class sportsman who is thrust into extraordinary circumstances that test the very concepts of fair play, courage and patriotism.



ANUJA CHAUHAN

Bestselling author of 'The Zoya Factor' & 'Those Pricey Thakur Girls'

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For a sport that offers so much in its written coverage, it is a topic explored rarely in our imaginations, in the written novel. Not since Shehan Karunatilaka's 'Chinaman' have the boundaries of cricket fiction and non-fiction been blurred to such a degree. Cricket, to so many people, is far more than just a game, and here the author subtly weaves a real-world background into an intriguing, personal plot. A beguiling read but one which, with a bit of imagination, could apply to anyone, anywhere, with even the slightest interest in this geopolitical game.



ISABELLE WESTBURY

Sports writer, broadcaster and lawyer. She is a former international cricketer and President of the Oxford Union, a sportswriter for 'The Daily Telegraph' and 'Wisden', and broadcasts for the BBC.

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A sweeping saga of cricket, confrontation, and cross-cultural romance that'll bowl you over. Sunil Gupta's fine delivery deserves a rousing 'Howzat'!



JUG SURAIYA

Prominent Indian journalist, author and columnist. He is best known as a satirist and columnist. Suraiya is a former associate editor of the 'Times of India'.

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Serendipity triggered by a red ball and a wounded cricketer... dramatic stuff for your dreams!



JIM MAXWELL

World-renowned veteran cricket and sports commentator with the ABC

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'Final Innings' is a celebration of sport and life. The novel is a genre beautifully crafted by the author who understands the nuances of life and cricket so well. He creates a lovable narrative that touches your heart for its novelty and character.

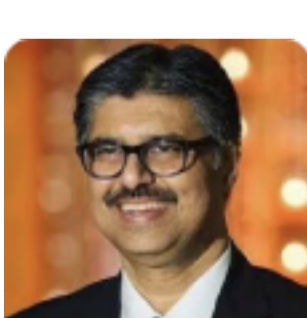


VIJAY LOKAPALLY

Highly acclaimed sportswriter for 'The Hindu' and 'Sportstar', and is the author of 'Driven-The Virat Kohli Story' & 'The Virender Sehwag Story'

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'Final Innings', above all, is an exhilarating and compelling story of thrilling sporting encounters, of love and courage, of fighting the odds, and a resolve to change current narratives. We can all learn a lot from Ramdas Upreti.

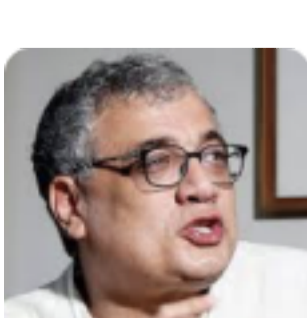


RAJEEV KARWAL

Doyen of the corporate world, and the Chairman of Milagrow Robots, the new-age invention that is transforming lives

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My old friend, one-time bridge partner, former advertising hotshot and cricket commentator, has effortlessly slipped into his new role: fiction writer. Sunil Gupta hits it out of the park with his new book 'Final Innings'.

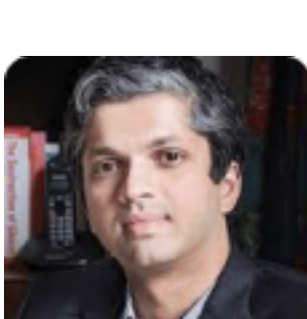


DEREK O'BRIEN

Quiz legend turned MP

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Dramatic, well-plotted and engagingly told – a convincing portrayal of the life of a cricketer.



KESHAVA GUHA

Author of 'Accidental Magic'