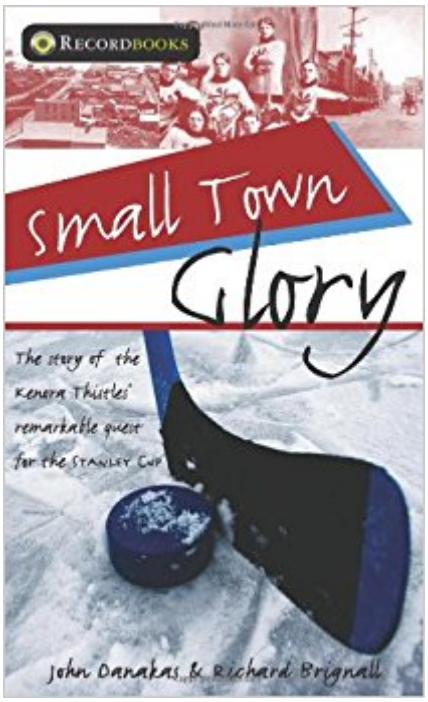
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JOHN DANAKAS is the author of four children’s novels, all published by Lorimer. Hockey Night in Transcona was an Ontario Silver Birch Award finalist. Curve Ball, Lizzie’s Soccer Showdown, and Hockey Heroes are all Canadian Children’s Book Centre "Our Choice" selections.RICHARD BRIGNALL has written ten non-fiction books for young readers and adults. He has also contributed hundreds of articles to magazines across Canada, including Cottage Life and Outdoor Canada and was previously the sports reporter for the Kenora Daily Miner and News. His books have been shortlisted for the Carol Shields Award, the Red Cedar Award, and the Golden Oak Award. He lives in Kenora, Ontario.

This is a very fast read with only 119 pages and larger than standard print but there probably isn’t a wealth of information to draw from when writing on this particular subject. Regardless, I found this book very interesting and would recommend it to anyone who has an interest in the early beginnings of hockey in Canada as I do. The book also includes some vintage photos which make the book that much more interesting for the reader.

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