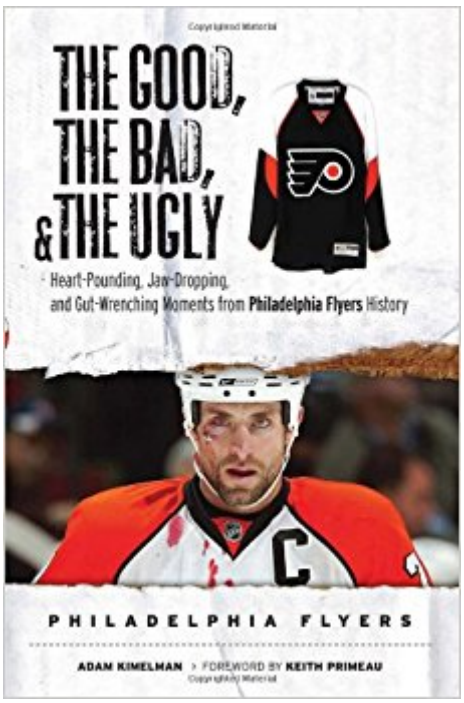
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Synopsis

This book is about the players, games, and moments that have made the Philadelphia Flyers organization what it is today. Owner Ed Snider. The Broad Street Bullies. Bernie Parent. Bobby Clarke. Eric Lindros. Keith Primeau. The stories behind all these famous names come alive on the pages of The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly: Philadelphia Flyers. More than just a tribute to success, this book offers the warts-and-all tales from the insider’s viewpoint that real fans want. As they relive these memories, Flyers fans--young and old, bandwagon jumpers, and Philadelphia natives--will be reminded of why they’re proud to support one of the NHL’s great franchises.

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"I always said that 75 percent of our success was our family at the Spectrum. I always felt it was 18,000 people and us playing against you." --Bernie Parent "Bob Clarke was a great, great hockey player. They talk about Gretzky seeing the ice, Clarke was the same way." --Flyers owner Ed Snider "My responsibility is to the Philadelphia Flyers, not to Eric Lindros, and we’re going to do what’s right for the Flyers." --Flyers GM Bob Clarke "The joy of playing professional hockey climaxed for me in Philadelphia. There was and still is no other place I wanted to play than right here in front of the greatest fans in the world." --Keith Primeau, from the foreword

The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly: Philadelphia Flyers celebrates many of the famous and infamous players, coaches, and moments throughout the team’s history. One of six franchises launched

during the NHL's 1967 expansion, Philadelphia soon rose to the top of the league, earning back-to-back Stanley Cup titles in the early 1970s. The Bobby Clarke and Bernie Parent-led Broad Street Bullies captured Philadelphians' hearts and changed the face of the NHL with their aggressive style of play. Though subsequent championships have eluded the Flyers, they've remained a perennial contender and become one of the most colorful franchises in the league. Learn how visionary founding owner Ed Snider created the Flyers and sold the city of Philadelphia on the sport of hockey. Get the inside story of how the franchise built a championship squad, then repeatedly rebuilt it over the next three decades to stay at the top of the NHL--in the process compiling the league's second-best all-time winning percentage. Enjoy classic tales about the great rivalries (especially with the Rangers, Devils, and Penguins), about the great coaches--including Fred Shero and Pat Quinn--and countless great players: Barber, Clarke, Parent, Poulin, Hextall, Primeau, and many more. But as the title suggests, The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly: Philadelphia Flyers also touches on some of the organization's low points: its ongoing string of five straight losses in the Stanley Cup Finals; the disastrous 2006-2007 season that saw the Flyers finish with the NHL's lowest point total; and the embarrassing Eric Lindros saga, during which the gifted-but-oft-injured center carried on a public squabble with the team that finally saw him traded to the rival Rangers. If you're a through-thick-and-thin Flyers fan, The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly: Philadelphia Flyers is especially for you. It will remind you of the great times and bring a knowing smile to your face when recounting the bad times. Championships and close losses; Hall of Fame players and big-time busts; on-the-ice triumphs and off-the-ice tragedies--all the best stories from Flyers history are here.

Good quick read, read the entire book in 2 days. With that being said the editor of this book should be shot. Lots of typo's and poor editing. For instance, when discussing the area where Pelle Lindbergh died the author said that it was a town in Gloucester County, New Jersey, that is untrue its a town in Camden County, New Jersey. It doesn't make a huge difference but kind of annoyed me as the reader who knows that fact and made me think to myself that maybe some of the other facts in this book were not correct. The book seemed unorganized and jumpy, but again as an avid Flyers fan since the late 70's(I'm 42) it was a fun book to read.

This is a great book for Flyers fan! I am one of the biggest Flyers fans, and I thought prior to reading this I knew everything but I didn't! It's definitely worth the read!

The Good, The Bad, & The Ugly: Philadelphia Flyers: Heart-Pounding, Jaw-Dropping, and Gut-Wrenching Moments from Philadelphia Flyers History by Adam Kimelman (NHL.com correspondent and former Philly-area beat writer)Mr. Kimelman definitely knows his stuff. The book is set up not just under the three headings: The Good, The Bad, and The Ugly, but it also includes a section on Eric Lindros, how the Flyers organization takes care of its own (with former players working after retirement, etc.), a photo gallery and more. Because of that, some people might find it a little all over the place in organization, but I didn't find it too distracting. I liked that not every section was just Clarke passed to... and Primeau shot it... because that can get a little tedious. Kudos to Mr. Kimelman for constantly changing the style of sentences and vocabulary to make the retelling of games engaging and not repetitive. It covered up to 2009 which means that the season I came in on as a fan, 2010, isn't mentioned which is sad to me, but the information offered is involving.For an expansion team, the Flyers really have a history. It's almost a mythology. I had never previously realized how many times they had gotten so close to getting the Stanley Cup after those two years in the 1970s. It really helped me to understand how frustrating it must be to long time fans who have almost felt that victory, only to miss it by a goal. I was reintroduced to some of the big names: Ron Hextall, John LeClair, Keith Primeau, that I had previously only kind of recognized. Even the teams that didn't win the Cup have been fascinating and talented and legendary. There is a mythic quality to the retelling of these stories in this book. These characters, the players who worked through some of the worst injuries and pain I've ever heard of, are heroes to loyal fans. And every little bit I learn, I can agree.It's not a long book. According to , print version is 192 pages. The sections are also not too lengthy so if you're the type that likes to just pick it up and read a little than do something else, it's well-made for that. I enjoyed filling my mind with facts and amazing stories while flying to and from Philadelphia (that might have added to the experience) and hopefully, if my fanaticism is ever questioned, I can pull out this information to add credibility.The Good, The Bad, & The Ugly: Philadelphia Flyers: Heart-Pounding, Jaw-Dropping, and Gut-Wrenching Moments from Philadelphia Flyers History by Adam Kimelman **** (four out five stars)Well worth getting for yourself or anyone who's a fan. All types of information (including the building of the Spectrum), but my favorite parts were about the players and the games.Highlight: One of those injuries that made me wince: "(Mark) Howe's problems dated to December 27, 1980. In a game against the (New York) Islanders, Howe fell into the goalpost and one of the metal spikes used at the time to anchor the post to the ice pierced his buttocks." How does that even happen?

Great book for a hockey purist who understands the dynamic of a team that is loved and embraced

by the surrounding Philadelphia area

This was a gift for my daughter. She is a huge Flyers fan! She loved reading the history of the team!

I got this for my 10 year old son. He loves Flyers and I read it before I wrapped it and enjoyed it too.

My boyfriend loved it. He has been a Flyers fan for 15 years. The stories are entertaining and bring back memories.

this is a good read for any flyers, take some infro from others books, but overall it was a decent read

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