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DRUNK ON SPORTS is more than simply a memoir by one of America's most well-known sportswriters. Behind his happy-go-lucky public persona was a man with a considerable (but well-disguised) drinking problem. For years, Cowlshaw believed that his ability to drink with the best of them helped in his development of sources and pursuit of stories and, unfortunately, he was right. Among others, the relationship he built while sitting on a barstool next to Cowboys Coach Jimmy Johnson allowed him to get where other reporters couldn't. As all hell broke loose between Johnson and Cowboys owner Jerry Jones in 1994, Cowlshaw was right next to Coach Johnson every step (and beer) along the way. In *DRUNK ON SPORTS*, Cowlshaw recounts first-hand stories never told and quotes never shared from the bizarre breakup of one of the NFL's most successful dynasties.

As he points out in the introduction, this is not an anti-drinking book. Cowlshaw loved alcohol for 35 years. If anything, this is a how-not-to book more than a how-to book. Along the way, Cowlshaw takes readers inside some of the biggest stories in sports. He joined ESPN in 2002 as a regular on *Around the Horn* and discusses life behind the scenes at the Worldwide Leader candidly and at length. Cowlshaw writes and talks and, at times, drinks his way into the sports world's fast lane-what else would you call getting hammered on vodka with Denny Hamlin at the Daytona 500-before realizing the only way to continue is to call a halt to the partying.

The story of his rise and fall is more insightful and humorous than it is preachy as Cowlshaw examines some of the flawed decisions he made throughout his lifetime in sports. *DRUNK ON SPORTS* is a cautionary yet entertaining tale of never before told stories featuring some of the most recognizable personalities in

sports, and if it causes some readers to reexamine their own lives, then it will have gone above and beyond its intended purpose.

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Review

"A toast (club soda with lime) to Cowlshaw, who goes Around the Horn as a writer. This gem of a book is, by turns, bracingly candid, brutally self-critical, searingly poignant and damn funny. Tim's longtime readers will love this. New ones will get a sense of why he is so well-liked and well-regarded among his peers." - **Jon Wertheim** (Executive Editor, *Sports Illustrated*)

"Drunk on Sports is the absorbing account of its extraordinary author. Honest, intelligent, unvarnished and engaging throughout, just like Tim. It is everything Tim is, including shockingly hip when it comes to movies, TV and music references." - **Tony Reali** (Host, ESPN's *Around the Horn*)

"I am so proud that Tim was able look at the truth of who he was and what he had morphed into. His greatest moment won't be in an article or being on TV. It will be how he had the courage to share his story with all of us." - **Nancy Lieberman** (Basketball Hall of Famer)

About the Author

Tim Cowlshaw has been The Dallas Morning News' lead sports columnist since July 1988. He has been a regular panelist on the ESPN sports talk show Around the Horn since its debut in November 2002, and has also worked with ESPN as lead reporter for the network's NASCAR Now coverage from 2007-08. Prior to The Dallas Morning News and Around the Horn, Tim covered the Dallas Cowboys for six seasons and the Dallas Stars for three. He also covered the Rangers as backup beat writer, the Oklahoma Sooners' football, and was the San Jose Mercury News' beat writer on the San Francisco Giants. Tim attended the University of Texas at Austin, and has two children, Rachel and Ben.

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