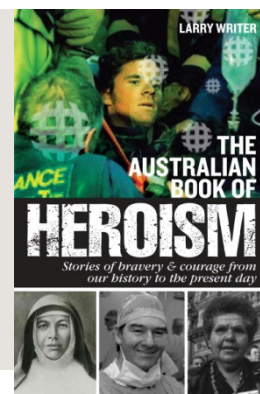


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Description

Continuing on as a series from *The Australian Book of True Crime*, this book tells the amazing stories of Australian heroes throughout history. Each chapter focuses on a different hero—from the 19th century through to the modern day.

Some heroes are ordinary people accomplishing extraordinary deeds in their daily jobs like Dr Fiona Wood who created plastic skin which has saved the lives of numerous burn victims, including those maimed in the Bali bombing. Other heroes display incredible bravery during times of war such as Tom "Diver" Derrick, a WWII hero who Major Peter Cosgrove has called Australia's greatest-ever soldier. From explorers, soldiers, doctors and nurses to charity workers, religious figures, and everyday mothers and fathers, Larry Writer offers a fascinating look into the life of some truly inspirational Australians.

Sales Points

- Australians love stories about heroes. This book makes a great read for people of all ages and interests
- The book includes a chapter on Mother Mary MacKillop, whose sacrifices and work among the poor will make her Australia's first saint
- Other heroes include: explorer Matthew Flinders and Antarctic explorer Douglas Mawson; Sir Donald Bradman; Aboriginal humanitarian Mum Shirl; Paul Featherstone (the acclaimed police rescuer who saved Stuart Diver at the Thredbo landslide); and Professor Chris O'Brien (a groundbreaking cancer researcher and surgeon)
- This is the second book in a series which began with *The Australian Book of True Crime* (ISBN: 9781741962079, RRP: \$29.95, 7, 000 copies sold to date)

Author Profile

Larry Writer's previous books include the Ned Kelly Award-winning *Razor*, the story of Kate Leigh, Tilly Devine and Sydney's razor gang wars of the 1920's and 30's; *Pleasure and Pain*, the biography of Chrissy Amphlett; and *Never Before, Never Again*, a memoir of the St George rugby league team that won a world-record 11 consecutive premierships in the 1950's and 60's. He is also the co-author of James and Stephen Dack's memoir *Sunshine and Shadow* (ISBN: 9781741964714, RRP \$34.95). He is a former editor, senior journalist and London bureau chief with Australian Consolidated Press and Time Inc Magazines. Larry lives in Sydney with his family.