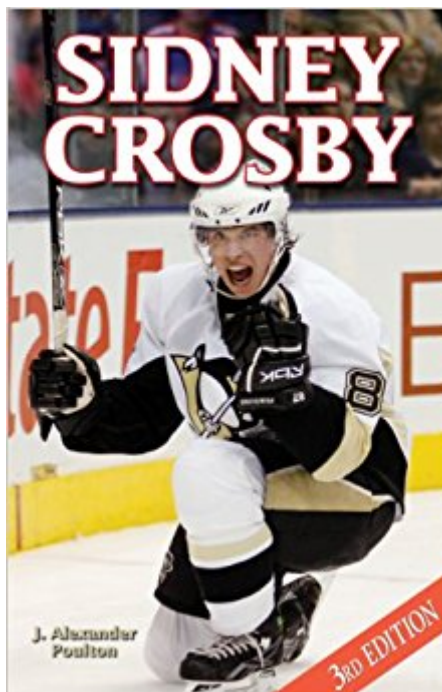


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Sidney Crosby



Synopsis

This upstart hockey champion from Cole Harbour, Nova Scotia, has led a seemingly charmed life, garnering awards and firsts since he learned to skate at age three.* He is the captain of the Pittsburgh Penguins--the youngest player in history to be named such--and has led his team to its first Stanley Cup since 1992* In his first season Crosby became the youngest player in NHL history to score 100 points in a season* He became the youngest player in NHL history to score 200 points overall* Crosby was the youngest player to win the Art Ross Trophy for the most goals scored in a season in 2007* He has also won the Hart Memorial Trophy, the Lester B. Pearson Award, the Mark Messier Leadership Award and the Maurice Rocket Richard Trophy* When asked if anyone could break his records, Wayne Gretzky said that Sidney Crosby could* After a suffering crushing defeat by the Red Wings in 2008, Captain Crosby led his Penguins through a tough season, an intense playoff and past those same Red Wings in the finals to win the 2009 Stanley Cup Championship, but they could not repeat in 2010* Crosby scored in overtime of the gold medal game at the 2010 Vancouver Olympics to help Canada to its 14th gold, a record number of gold medals by any country in the history of the Winter Games.

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This book is probably one of the best hockey related books I have ever read, and even one of the more interesting, and exciting biographies out there. The book will give you all the information on Sidney Crosby you need to know, such as his birthplace, childhood, his NHL seasons, and even his travel to the 2010 Olympics. What I really like about the book though is the author states some of Crosby's mess ups, and while he still isn't hating on Crosby, he never states that Sid is perfect. The book gives you a nice intro about the 2007-08 playoffs went along into the finals, and then instead of spoiling a chapter early on the author then goes into Sid's childhood. Next his junior seasons, NHL life, and even with team Canada in the Olympics. Just because of all those reasons, I would recommend this book to any hockey lover, or just Sidney Crosby fan. Now if your the guy who wants to know all about the Pittsburgh Penguins, I would not recommend this, because other wise than the overall team play and Sid, it does not give much information about the coaching staff, Pittsburgh's fans, or even the players. I am not saying that that is a bad thing though because after all, the book wasn't called "Pittsburgh Penguins," it's all about Sidney Crosby. With the overall research and effort with making this book, I think is great. Being a Pittsburgh fan, I knew a lot about Crosby, but when I read this book, my tiny mind was blown away by the research Poulton did. Although this is one of my favorite books ever, everything has their flaws. The major flaw, the one that I recommend all of you not to buy this book could not of been avoided. Since this book was published in 2011, and Crosby is still playing today, it is a little out dated. The book does not and could not of known that the Pens are still struggling today, or that Sid earned another gold medal in 2014. I'm not saying you should completely throw the idea of this book away though, because it's still a great book for present day hockey history, and the only way the author could have avoided this is by waiting for Sid to retire and who knows how long that could be. Poulton did a great job on this book, and I recommend this with his other works along with for you all to read too. The book did a great job a describing Crosby, and the only major issue was that the book wasn't published now. I love this book, I hope everyone gets a chance to purchase and/or read this book.

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