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Anchorboy: True Tales From The World Of Sportscasting



Synopsis

Nine out of ten people would say Jay Onrait changed Canadian sportscasting. The first nine are right. The tenth just doesn't get sports. From the 2011 Gemini Award-winning sportscaster comes a book of essays and stories featuring the rise of a small town prairie boy and his journey to broadcasting in the big city. But, it's not what you think. These are not tales of triumph, but the stories his fans and viewers have been waiting for. Anchorboy teaches aspirational sportscasters that if you make enough mistakes you'll land the right job. It explains Jay's philosophy on personality-based sports broadcasting and how he changed sportscasting forever. A behind-the-scenes look at what it's like to work at TSN--it's a balance of humour, pop culture, and sports. Specifically, you'll read about: Jay being sexually harassed at TSN by a senior every day for ten years Jay being beaten up by a professional MMA fighter while hosting Winnipeg's The Big Breakfast Jay's nervous interview with one of his comedy heroes, Will Ferrell Jay's own personal Worst Christmas Eve Ever These are the stories that will make you laugh. Mostly at Jay's expense.

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"Of all the Canadians I have worked with in Hollywood, Jay Onrait is definitely one of them." (Martin Short)
"Jay Onrait has finally found a medium in which he stands a chance to succeed. Stick with the books, kid! Television is just not your thing. And get rid of the other guy immediately." (Regis Philbin)
"I'm not going to be one of those

people who says something mean about Jay Onrait just for a cheap laugh and a chance to get on his book cover. Besides, who the hell is Jay Onrait? – (Peter Mansbridge) – “When I first met Jay Onrait, he was essentially an intern at TSN. I would berate him daily and make him do silly dog tricks to humiliate him in front of the staff. But if that is in this book, I will sue his ass.” – (James Duthie) – “Jay is in desperate need of paycheck, so he wrote another book. Please take him back Canada.” – (Andy Roddick) – “Seriously, a book by Jay Onrait is not to be taken seriously. Except by Jay Onrait, who was driven by the need to work on his spelling.” – (Dave Hodge) – “I fell in love with Jay Onrait the day I flashed him on National Television. It was more exciting for me than him, but we both were willing to do anything for ratings. . . Anything. RIP Jay. I will miss your packed lunches.” – (Charissa Thompson) --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

Jay Onrait is a Canadian television personality, author, and sports anchor. Born in Calgary and raised in Athabasca, Alberta, Jay’s big break came when he landed a job co-hosting TSN’s SportsCentre alongside Dan O’Toole. In 2013, Jay and Dan joined the launch of the new Fox Sports 1 network as hosts of their flagship show, Fox Sports Live. Somewhere along the way, Jay found time to write two bestselling memoirs, Anchorboy and Number Two, and co-create the wildly successful Jay and Dan Podcast. Jay lives with his wife and daughter in Los Angeles. Web: jayonrait.com Twitter: @jayonrait

I always enjoyed the TSN clips I saw of Jay and Dan from Sports Centre, so I had high hopes for this book. It’s ok. Maybe if I grew up in Canada I would enjoy it more. I’m not familiar with any of the sportscaster names or TV channels mentioned. Some of the stories are funny, but most are just moderately interesting. I was hoping for a bit more outrageous and crazy tidbits, it’s surprisingly tame.

I have listened to Jay and Dan’s podcast ever since they came to the US and it was nice to read about Jay’s early days. Great, easy read and can’t wait until he writes another one

Hilarious stories of a man’s journey reaching the top of the sports broadcasting game. Very entertaining and quick book to read.

Very interesting following Jay’s career - much like a lot of people, growing up, decisions that change

your life's direction. Only with Jay, his stories are all very funny and interesting.

Truly enjoyed this easy read. Felt like an extended story-telling conversation with the engaging Jay Onrait. I recommend this to anyone who has enjoyed his work over the years.

The epic of our times. Homer ain't got s*** on Jay Onrait.

Fun read. Looking forward to the next book.

Haven't finished yet, but like it so far.

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