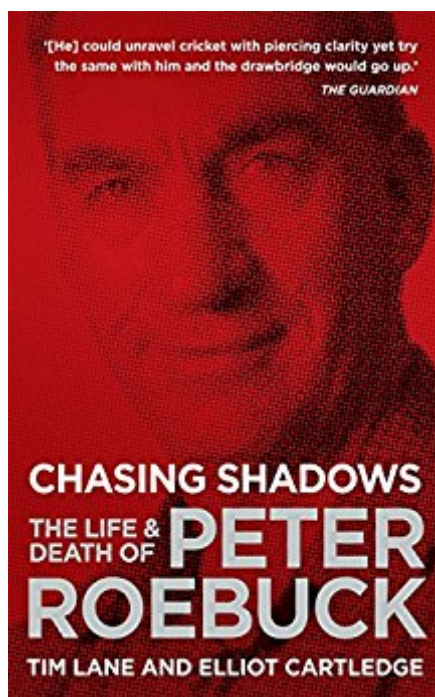


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Synopsis

Complex, prickly and fiercely independent, Peter Roebuck became known as a first class cricketer in England, rose to fame internationally as a writer and broadcaster and ultimately divided his time between Australia and South Africa. His long-standing feud with one of the biggest names in the sport was as infamous as it was rancorous. He engendered a widespread and loyal following for fearlessly wading into controversies â “ match-fixing, corruption, rotten governments â “ that left him exposed and vulnerable. At the end, he was accused of sexual assault and the nature of his death was horrific. In this uncompromising investigation that spans multiple continents, and features unflinching testimonies from the likes of Steve Waugh, Rahul Dravid, Mike Atherton, Gideon Haigh, Ian Chappell, Jonathan Agnew and members of the Roebuck family, the authors have pieced together the fragments of an often brilliant yet uneasy life â “ and reveal how it all unravelled. 'In many ways, he was at his happiest talking about and writing about the game. It was the rest of life he didn't quite master.' The Times

Tim Lane is a broadcaster and columnist with extensive experience in the electronic and print media. He worked alongside Peter Roebuck at the Australian Broadcasting Corporation for twelve years. Elliot Cartledge is a writer and editor from Melbourne, Australia who has written extensively about sport, music and travel across the globe. This is his third sports book.

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Extremely well written - not that I would expect anything less from Tim Lane! Very balanced, and presented all (known) sides & opinions of Roebuck, to the point where you knew a lot more about him, but are left unsure whether you really know anything more! Just a shame we may never have a proper inquest into his death.

A fine piece of work dealing fairly with circumstances that can probably never be resolved. The authors approached the life of this brilliant, but tragic, man with compassion but also with a journalist's pen. Had Peter Roebuck's case gone to a jury, I (along with the authors, I suspect) would not wanted to have been on it.

Excellent analysis of an unusual man and his fate
One of the best cricket writers ever
The mystery still remains

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