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John Silvester is an Australian journalist and crime writer. He has written for major Melbourne based newspapers such as The Age, the Sunday Herald Sun and others. Silvester has also co-written a number of bestselling books with Andrew Rule, based on crime in Melbourne. Some of their works formed the basis of the hit Australian TV series Underbelly.[1] He also appears weekly on 3AW's breakfast program as "Sly of the Underworld".

Silvester received a Bachelor of Arts in politics and law at La Trobe University in 1978, according to an article in the university's Alumni newsletter, Agora, which also stated that his father, Fred, was a former Victoria Police Assistant Commissioner, and head of the Australian Bureau of Criminal Intelligence.

"John Silvester has been a crime reporter in Melbourne since 1979, moving to The Age in 1993. He has worked with The Sunday Times insight team in London, won an ASEAN-AJA scholarship to study crime and corruption in South East Asia and has given evidence at Royal Commissions on police corruption. Silvester has published more than 20 crime books. He has won a Walkley award,

three Quills, a Ned Kelly award for true crime writing and three Victorian Law awards. He appears regularly on radio station 3aw to discuss crime matters."

'Jason Moran was in his blue Mitsubishi van when he was gunned down with his friend, Pasquale Bardora, in front of up to 250 people in the car park of the Cross Keys Hotel. At least five children, including Moran's twin girl and boy, aged six, and his brother's own fatherless children were in the van when the gunman fired. While murdering two men in front of hundreds of people might, at first, seem reckless, to the killer, it made perfect sense...' From the authors that brought you Mark Bradon Read's Chopper, comes a true account of the most bloodcurdling gang violence you will ever read. For the last ten years a war has raged on once safe suburban streets that has stunned the world. The killings have been particularly callous and brutal: mothers gunned down with their babies sleeping beside them, fathers killed in front of their children and couples shot down in cold blood. This is true crime at its most bloody, surreal and terrifying.

Andrew Rule and John Silvester are the writing team who brought you the exploits of the notorious Mark 'Chopper' Read, whose books are regular features in the bestseller lists and which were turned into a major movie. They have won numerous awards for their journalism and for many years have dominated the world of True Crime writing.

I purchased this after watching the series "underbelly" on FX. The chapters are short, and perhaps go over things a little too quickly without going into great detail. It is an easy read, and uncovers a little about what happened during this time in Melbourne, which I don't really remember seeing any coverage of here in the UK. Worth a look, and despite the subject matter not too heavy to read.

However, we will have to wait for that account as this book fails to deliver. Written in a sub-tabloid, barely episodic manner, Underbelly is a bunt that should have been a home run. This is lazy journalism masquerading as authoritative crime journalism, as bone headed as its subject matter. Individual cases are described as if a 2 minute feature on "Americas Most Wanted", the superficiality is breathtaking as is the shockingly poor narrative offered up. Analysis boils down to - "he was a naughty boy and he got whacked" - well thank you Norman Mailer.

This is an ok book for that 5 or 6 hours train/plane journey - as disposable they come. The one feeling you get from reading this book isn't how terrible the people involved were or how shocking the loss of life but rather how witless the authors of this 'true crime' styled account have been in turning what could have been a fascinating account of the Aussie underworld into the literal equivalent of a double page spread in the News of the World.

Each chapter (roughly) is about a particular individual and/or event(s). All of the criminal characters from the TV series are discussed, and several more besides. Mick Gatto and the Moran clan probably feature the most. There is little attention given to the police, and they come across as being relatively ineffective while the majority of the crims are overly arrogant - despite the deaths/assassinations of their mates. However, many of the crims were treated in a sympathetic manner - some of these guys did have young families after all. Zarah Garde-Wilson, although not a criminal herself despite her associations with the underworld, is an example of the author's sensitive approach to some of the characters.

Other reviewers have commented on the book's narrative structure, and I have to say I agree with the reviewer's complaints. The book has numerous chapters, which do not always seamlessly blend in with the preceding chapter. It is almost as if most of the chapters were designed either as a stand alone read or perhaps as a feature article in a magazine or newspaper. Because of this, some incidents and dates are repeated on numerous occasions.

For example, the authors repeatedly establish the deaths of the Moran brothers and the locations they occurred. The authors have well established these events in preceding chapters, yet they feel the need to state (again) Mark died on x date outside his home etc... A number of characters suffer the same fate - the Kane brothers are another example. Some sharper editing would have helped here.

John Moran and Carl Williams were the two biggest rival drug barons in Australia. They certainly weren't partners, but they weren't sworn enemies. One day, they had a meeting to end a dispute over drug money. Thinking he could scare his rival into submission, Moran pulled the trigger on Carl but decided not to finish the job off. It turned out to be the biggest mistake of his life. Carl was hell bent on revenge. Within months, most of the Moran family and a host of underworld figures would die in an astonishing spate of revenge killings which shook the public and the police to the core. Murder, greed, drugs, sex and corruption abound in a story that reads like a piece of gangster fiction. But in Underbelly, the bullets and the blood are grippingly real. This is true crime of the highest order - the amazing story of a powerful man who did things his way and eventually orchestrated his own terrible downfall.

This book is informative with the information it contains and if you are interested in the subject then you should buy it. However, if the Melbourne gang war doesn't particularly interest you then don't buy it. It repeats a lot of things. There is no great flow to the book. It jumps to different dates forwards and backwards (not chronological). Plus the authors try and make a joke of EVERYTHING. They write smart little comments all the time. It's a serious subject matter. If I wanted comedy then I would pick something else! I have given it 3 stars for the information inside. If it wasn't well researched, the style of writing would result in one star at the very most.

Underbelly was very good- i watched it on TV and didnt miss all the different sections, I brought the DVD- The film is so realistic and true life- The acting was really good- I would recommend is film. If your interested in true crimes this is a must to add to your collection. I cant wait for the second movie to start on TV

As the world goes about its daily business, criminals and cops engage in a deadly battle of wits. This book delves into the crimes that police have to deal with day after day. Murderers, hitmen, kidnappers, and drug dealers all feature in this collection of true crime stories. Take the drug dealer who walked out of a restaurant bragging that he's killed a man—unaware that his fellow diner was an undercover policeman. Or the young mother, whose death was written off as suicide, but which subsequent investigation proved to be something much more sinister.

With their trademark forensic skills, respected journalists John Silvester and Andrew Rule bring to life stories of gang wars and crooked cops, of crimes in high places and suffering in low, of murder, courtroom drama and political machinations, of drug lords and hitmen in crash-through-or-crash grabs for power and territory.

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