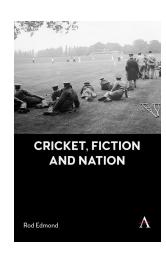


# **ANTHEM PRESS**



# **Cricket, Fiction and Nation**

By Rod Edmond

Pub Date: 07 October 2025 BISAC CATEGORY: FICTION / General

**Binding:** Paperback HISTORY / General, SPORTS & RECREATION /

**Price:** £19.99 / \$24.95 Genera

**ISBN:** 9781839996467 **BISAC CODE:** FIC000000

**BIC CODE:** FZ

Extent: 170 pages RIGHTS

Size: 153 x 229 mm / Exclusive: WORLD

6 x 9 inches

Explores how cricket has been portrayed in fiction from the 19th century to the 21st, examining shifts in the treatment of national, post-colonial and global themes.

Cricket, Fiction and Nation examines how cricket has been used by fiction writers from the early nineteenth century to the present day to explore matters such as national identity, class, sexuality, murder, suicide, obsession, empire, race, migration and the global post-colonial world.

### Readership

It will appeal to both an academic and general readership: scholars and students of literature, sports and cultural history, and lovers of cricket and books about cricket.

## **Key selling points**

Presents the first detailed study of cricket and fiction as serious cultural history

Covers an interdisciplinary range of topics – literature, history, politics, sport, post-coloniality, environmental studies – and provides a historical sweep

Explores the formal similarities between cricket and the novel

Highlights the previously unremarked role of women writers in cricket fiction

Asks if the game of cricket will be sustainable in a world of global heating and climate crisis.

## Contents

Introduction; 1-The Rise and Fall of the Village Cricket Story; 2-The Public School Cricket Story; 3-The Cricket Murder Story; 4-Cricket and Comedy; 5-Cricket and Tragedy; 6-Post-Colonial and Global Cricket Fiction; 7-Endgame; Bibliography; Acknowledgements; Index

## About the Author(s) / Editor(s)

**Rod Edmond** is Emeritus Professor of Modern Literature and Cultural History at the University of Kent. He has published books on Victorian literature, Pacific travelers, leprosy and empire, islands, migration, and the Kent coast.

#### Ordering in North America, Latin America and Caribbean

Ingram Publishers Services (US)

1 Ingram Blvd. Mail stop

#512 Lavergne, TN 37086, United States

Tel: +1 866 400 5351

ips@ingramcontent.com

#### Ordering in the UK/Rest of the World Ingram Publishers Services (UK)

1 Deltic Avenue, Rooksley
Milton Keynes, MK13 8LD
United Kingdom
Tel: +44 (0) 1752 202300 | Fax: 01752
202330
IPSUK.Orders@ingramcontent.com

#### Ordering in Australia

NewSouth Books
C/O Alliance Distribution Services (ADS)
9 Pioneer Avenue
Tuggerah 2259 NSW, Australia
Tel: +61 (02) 4390 1300 | Fax: +1800-66-4477
adscs@alliancedist.com.au

75-76 Blackfriars Road | London SE1 8HA | United Kingdom | Tel: +44 (0)20 7193 7371 244 Madison Ave. #116 | New York | NY 10016 | United States | Tel: +1 646 736 7908 info@anthempress.com | sales@anthempress.com | publicity@anthempress.com | www.anthempress.com