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Cazaly

The Legend

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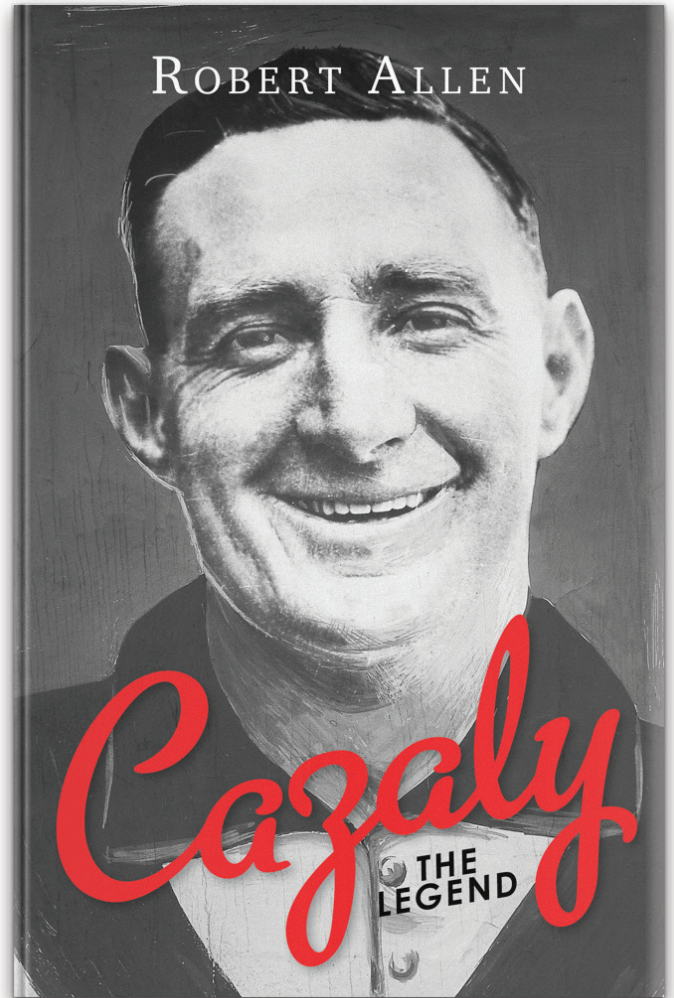
Roy Cazaly's extraordinary story is one of the great tales in the history of Australian Football.

Born in the depths of a depression, he overcame humble beginnings and personal setbacks to become one of the game's most celebrated players. His sublime skills and thrilling aerial feats made him a legend, with his name carried into the modern era via Mike Brady's hymn to football, 'Up There Cazaly'.

In 1996 he became one of 12 inaugural Legends of the Australian Football Hall of Fame. A relentless self-improver, Cazaly shaped the game's development, applied his own theories to fitness, training and teamwork, and coached teams to premiership success.

Away from the field, he enriched the lives of many more as a physiotherapist, horse trainer, philosopher and family man.

Robert Allen's meticulous research, gathered over 10 years, reveals in great detail the story of the man behind the catchcry. "I wanted to write not only about the sporting icon, Roy Cazaly but to put his life into the context of what was happening around him, locally in Melbourne, nationally in Australia and even internationally," said Allen.



Cazaly, The Legend, is more of a social history, straddling academic research with popular writing, it is the life story of a local Aussie Rules footballing hero set in the ever-changing cultural landscape of early Australia. *Cazaly, The Legend*, a Slattery Media Publication, has 428 pages and is beautifully presented in hardcover, on sale July 1, 2017, at a RRP \$39.95

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