

Clash by Dermot Judge

3 stars

The dangerous game in the corrupt world of hurling

John-Joe Crosby was the hurler from Kerry and then the coach of Kerry's hurling team. He was told of more violence on the fields to attract more viewers via gate sales and media subscriptions. John-Joe met Kitty to get information about corruption in the sport.

Jack Curran was like the famous Australian media tycoon, Kerry Packer, who turned cricket into the professional sport. He moved the home of hurling from Croke Park to Arena 21 in violation of Gaelic Athletic Association's rules.

I do not follow hurling and other Gaelic sports as I do not understand the rules of these games. However, John-Joe entered the dangerous and thrilling world of crimes such as corruption, bribes, kidnappings and murders.

It becomes exciting during the cliffhanging final. There are a few mistakes such as the incorrect Roman numerical symbols. For example, Pope John Paul XII (the twelfth) visited Ireland in 1982. It should be II (second) as X means dec (ten in Latin).

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