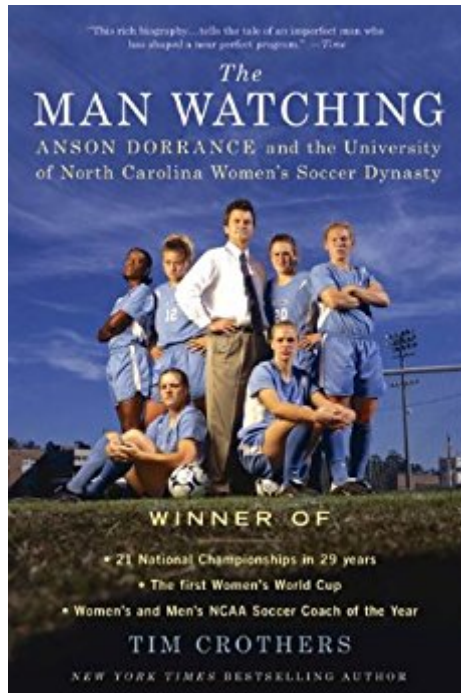


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The Man Watching: Anson Dorrance And The University Of North Carolina Women's Soccer Dynasty



Synopsis

As coach of the University of North Carolina women's soccer team, Anson Dorrance has won more than 90 percent of his games, groomed far more All-Americans, and captured more NCAA championships than any other coach in the sport ten times over. Author Tim Crothers spent four years interviewing Dorrance and Tar Heels players from every era, along with players and coaches from rival college programs, to create the most comprehensive, intimate, and unfiltered look ever inside the most prolific dynasty in college athletics. Updated to include the story of the Tar Heels's 2008 and 2009 NCAA championships, *The Man Watching* is the authorized biography of a fascinating man and the more than 200 young women he inspired to believe that anything is possible.

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Customer Reviews

This is the first time I've ever bothered to review a book on . I'm a relatively new basketball coach who has been finding and reading as many different books on coaching and sports as I can. This is by far and away the best I've read. I've been taking notes on ideas I've liked about Dorrance's

coaching style and have filled up pages with amazing ideas and quotes. I completely understand why Dorrance and UNC soccer are responsible for such unparalleled success. This is truly an inspirational book and should be required reading for any coach of any sport looking to learn from the best.

I have three daughters that are playing club soccer. This book provided the needed insight to better understand what it takes to motivate young women to play at their highest potential. While I'm sure these methods and logic will not work for every player, it's chock full of what has worked for this coach and also what has not worked. Many life lessons, motivational sayings, and heartfelt experiences from the players who attended UNC that bolster the credibility of what Anson Dorrance has created. Simply, it's a must read if you want to better understand if your daughter has what it takes to truly push herself.

While not what I would call unbiased (the author clearly loves Dorrance), it is a great read for those interested in coaching women's sports, and interestingly, also touches on some practical application of 3rd or 4th wave feminism. I read it because I coach roller derby, and I have been recommending it to anyone who will listen and citing Dorrance in regular conversation.

This is a good read for the history of women's soccer but more for how to coach women. Dorrance is certainly human and I would question some of the lack of team rules but worth the read.

Excellent reading. Wasn't expecting such an insight into the beginning of a dynasty. Dorrance is quite a character, I can see why he does nothing but win.

Great book for the fan, but more so, for the coach. It provides great insight on building a program and working with female athletes, and athletes in general.

This book is amazing! To read about the experiences that have occurred within this dominating force in the women's soccer world I think is inspirational and amusing all at the same time. The Man Watching is great read that expresses all the up's and down's of these athletes in order for them to reach the status that they have reached. It also shows the difference in the attitude that is within this program compared to any other program in the country which is why they have been so successful. If you are a soccer fanatic then I highly recommend that you read this book ASAP.

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