



Knockshinnoch

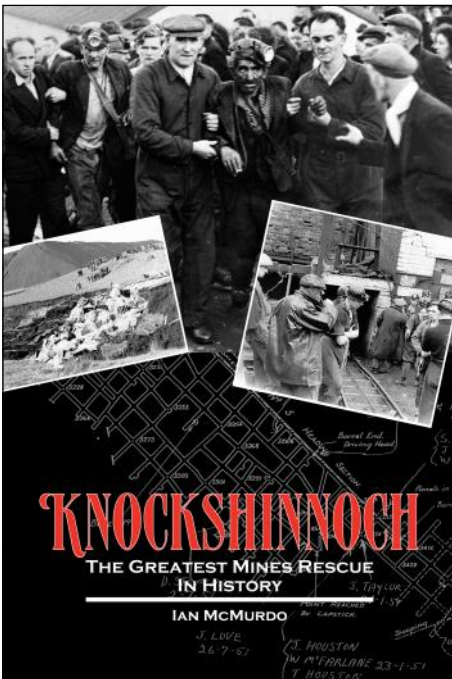
The Greatest Mines Rescue in History

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ABOUT THIS BOOK

The Knockshinnoch Castle Colliery disaster was an event that gripped the Ayrshire village of New Cumnock in a vice of terror for three seemingly never-ending days, and one so momentous that it hit the front pages of major newspapers all across the world.

Ian McMurdo's book is a relentless and at times brutally graphic account of a disaster which defined the worst period in the history of New Cumnock. The book charts the minute-by-minute drama as the deadly gas and tension build up in the miners' underground tomb, and the end-game reaches fever-pitch.

MARKETING HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Gripping tale with details related by survivors.
- ◆ Reprinted

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Ian McMurdo is a retired education professional who has become an author. He is the son of the late John McMurdo, one of the survivors of the Knockshinnoch Castle Colliery disaster. From the day his mother, Jean, handed sixteen-year-old Ian a copy of the British Government's formal inquiry into the causes of the disaster, he became captivated by the fearsome drama that was Knockshinnoch. However, Ian had already made up his mind. One day, he promised himself, I'm going to lift the lid on the Knockshinnoch disaster and write a book telling the full story, warts and all. This is that book.



AUTHOR LOCATION

Cumnock, Ayrshire; Arran, Buteshire.

I was gripped. I couldn't put it down. I found myself hoping they would be rescued even though I already knew the answer. Time was not on the miners' or the rescuers' side. Despite this they succeeded in 'the greatest mines rescue ever'.

Andrew Watson, Head of British Mines Rescue Service

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