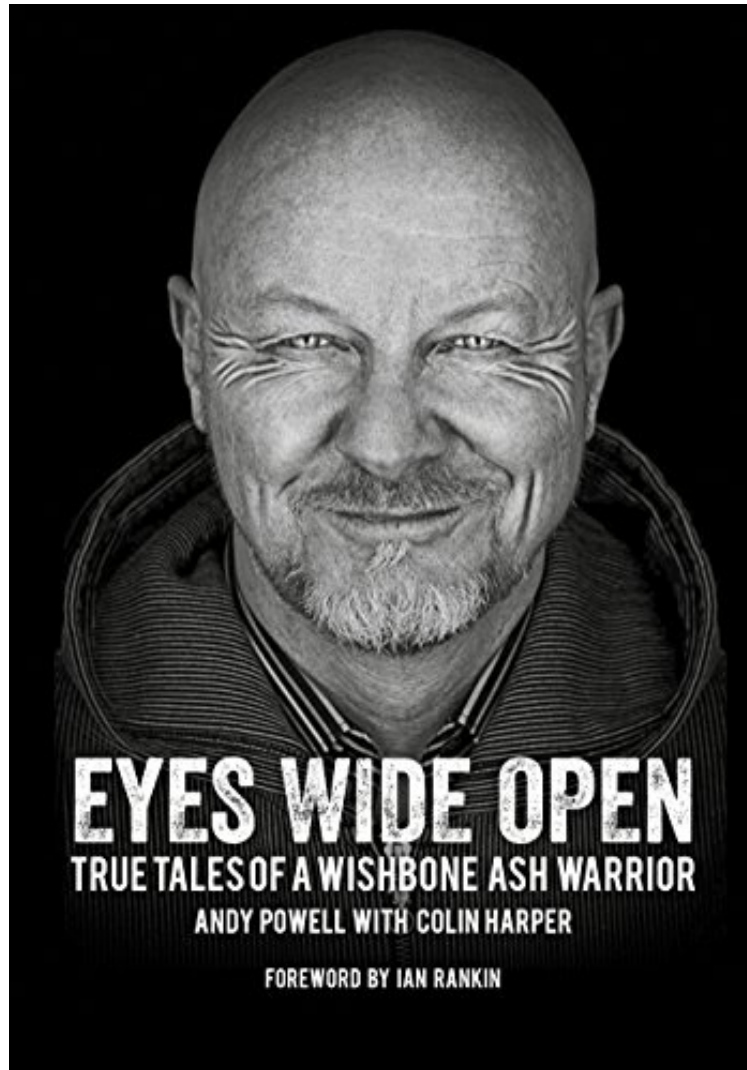


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Andy Powell : Eyes Wide Open: True Tales Of A Wishbone Ash Warrior before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Eyes Wide Open: True Tales Of A Wishbone Ash Warrior:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Thanks, Andy, for four decades of Wishbone Ash! By Wedloe I've played in bands most of my life, each with varying degrees of longevity, and Andy Powell's story of keeping Wishbone Ash (WA) alive is both interesting and a little boring at times. I have to admit I'm a WAmKI (1970's era) fan and have not listened to the many incarnations of the band that followed, but one must salute Mr. Powell's successful efforts in keeping the flame alive. Maybe not every reader understands what a truly brilliant musician he is, as that is not really what this book is about. Instead, it's about Andy's 40-50 year journey of making his incredible music within

a constantly changing business environment and a series of new and different musicians. There is very useful practical information about the management and administration of a musical group in this book, but to my eyes this may not appeal to every reader. On the other hand, he includes interesting vignettes about various interests in his life, some of which deal with what it actually takes to keep a group together and stay relevant over such a long haul. There is a great story here with lots of rich and well researched detail. All this from a stunningly talented player. I would love to meet him someday...1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Eyes Wide Open is an Eye Opening readBy Leon J TsilisA truly interesting Insightful look at of one of Classic Rocks founding fathers. Andy Powell continues to deliver the goods with his band, Wishbone Ash. It's not been n easy ride, but thankfully for his fans he still continues to tour with his band, and make no mistake about it, there is only one Wishbone Ash.4 of 5 people found the following review helpful. I really enjoyed the "detours" and asides the writers took in presenting ...By FRenzyIn the interest of full disclosure I will state at the outset I am a friend of the author and major fan of the band Wishbone Ash:Unlike the linear approach to many bios written by other famous rock personalities, I really enjoyed the "detours" and asides the writers took in presenting the history of one of rock music's most important guitar bands. The writing is intelligent, informative and at times, humourous. It retains a very human quality which could have easily been otherwise, when one considers these are the recollections of someone at the height of rock stardom- travelling the world over, sold out shows, TV appearances, epic parties and industry accolades.The band's history is certainly covered but the real insight is given through Andy Powell's honest and straightforward tales that come from years of journal entries and contributions from those who were there. The chapters cover varied topics as well- hotels, the fans and the never-ending pursuit to deliver the musical good night after night, year after year, for over 45 years.The most intense accounts cover the lawsuits AP endured to protect and retain the rights to the band's name and trademark. As the "last man standing", a founding member who had never left the band, he was forced into a lengthy and costly legal battle in the UK courts with former bandmates, who saw an opportunity to reclaim a brand name that would have languished in the dust bin of history years ago. If not for Powell's endless drive to keep the band's legacy alive through constantly performing around the world and creating new music all the while, this surely would have happened. In the end, he stands alone as the leading force behind one of rock's most important yet under-appreciated bands.All true WA fans will undoubtedly know many of the stories compiled here but there are many never before retold anecdotes that will surely entertain and surprise many. This is a must-read for the real WA fans in the world and for those not very familiar, it will provide a view into the late 60s and 70s golden age of rock music from a unique perspective- told by someone who lived through it and continues to find the music as vital today and it was decades ago. You will enjoy the ride!

In 1969, Andy Powell was one of four founding members of progressive rock pioneers Wishbone Ash. Forty-five years later, with no sabbaticals, he is still a member of Wishbone Ash. And he has seen a lot of interesting things along the way. Watching the birth of rock'n'roll in the 50s; stepping into the swinging 60s mod scene as a teenager; breaking through to the big time and touring the States with The Who; selling hundreds of thousands of copies of Argus; being managed by industry legend Miles Copeland; outliving punk and moving to America; battling former bandmates over the right to use the name Wishbone Ash, and fighting to keep that name alive through decades of changing tastes and styles--Andy Powell has been there, done it, and seen it all. And he's still doing it today.Last Man Standing is not just the story of one man's adventures in music but also a journey through some of the most thrilling years of rock history. Honest, unpretentious, and often wryly amusing, it draws on half a century of mingling with the great and the good--not to mention the occasional nutcase. It's a book that will appeal strongly to fans of Wishbone Ash but also to anybody with even a passing interest in classic rock of the 70s and beyond.

About the AuthorAndy Powell is a songwriter and guitarist best known as the founder and sole remaining original member of Wishbone Ash. Born in Stepney, London, in 1950, he now lives in the USA with Pauline, his wife of more than forty years. Colin Harper wrote professionally on music for The Independent, The Irish Times, Mojo, and other titles during the 1990s. He is the author of Dazzling Stranger: Bert Jansch And The British Folk And Blues Revival (Bloomsbury, 2000; revised 2006 and 2011) and Bathed In Lightning: John McLaughlin, The 60s, And The Emerald Beyond, and co-author of Irish Folk, Trad Blues: A Secret History (Collins Press, 2004).Ian Rankin is a Scottish novelist and crime writer best known for his internationally renowned Inspector Rebus series, which includes the bestsellers Knots and Crosses, Dead Souls, and Exit Music. His books have been translated into more than thirty languages, and in 2002 he received an OBE for services to literature.