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COLD CHISEL WILD COLONIAL BOYS

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In his acknowledgements in WORKING CLASS MAN, Jimmy Barnes writes:

'I would like to say thanks to Michael Lawrence. Your book has been an invaluable fact checker for us all.'

That book is COLD CHISEL: WILD COLONIAL BOYS

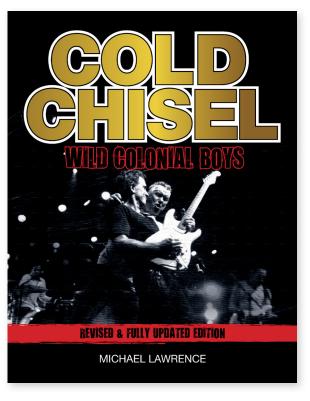
The first edition of Wild Colonial Boys, published in 2012 was used as a resource by both Cold Chisel and their management (who dubbed it 'the bible').

The first edition has been out of print for over two years, and with the launch of Jimmy Barnes' new autobiography, and five more years of Chisel activity, it is time to release the totally revised and updated second edition.

With new, never before published photos covering their entire career, updates to all chapters from 1975, an extensive new chapter detailing Chisels career post 2012, this is a must have book for all Cold Chisel fans!

This is the most extensive book published on an Australian band.

Drum Media's Mike Smith described the book thus: '... text enhanced considerably by interviews with the various members he's undertaken as well as with various managers and former managers, radio DJs and so on. Lawrence has also been given access to the band's business records and diaries. His obvious obsessive attention to detail ensures readers get everything they could possibly want to know, from the back stories to songs recorded and otherwise to set lists from obscure gigs to European and US shows.'



Wild Colonial Boys is the 'bible' on Cold Chisel!

The Author

Michael Lawrence, an English/Music teacher by profession, first saw Cold Chisel play as an underage punter in 1979 and kept a close record of their achievements ever since. In the mid-1990s he started documenting his collection of recordings and reviews and Melbourne DJ Billy Pinnell put him in contact with the band's manager Rod Willis. Willis was impressed and gave Michael unprecedented access to his business records, diaries, band members and dozens of associated employees, family, producers and record company. The first biography on Cold Chisel, written by Michael, Showtime, was released in 1998 and his passion for Chisel has continued, resulting in the first edition of this book in 2012 and now this totally revised and updated 2017 edition.