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During this time domestic football has undergone several periods of dramatic change. The culmination of this evolution is the dynamic, enormously popular game we know today. In his book, *Changing the Game: Football in Australia Through My Eyes* Postecoglou reveals his experiences of the game, from the changing room to the boardroom, and outlines how to keep moving forward Australia must boldly reimagine its place in the *Changing the Game: Football in Australia Through My Eyes* world.

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In that age bracket the football participation rate now sits at 50 per cent. The same data shows girls are now playing football more than they are netball, the hitherto unassailable frontrunner in female sport. So, make no bones about it, football is huge, even in Australia.

As the late Johnny Warren said in his biography, *Sheilas, Wogs and Poofers*, it is more than strange that, as a former *Changing the Game: Football in Australia Through My Eyes* colony, Australia would shun what is by far the most popular sport in Britain. To make its point, football has had to crash through. Ange Postecoglou has been at the centre of Australian football for more than thirty years.

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Also discussed is the important role football has played in helping immigrants from diverse backgrounds to adjust to life in Australia - a topic of particular interest to me, given that I wrote my PhD thesis on it. Postecoglou is an immigrant, and the sport obviously has had a profound impact on his life; the impact it had on his father's settlement experience, and the relationship between father and son, is perhaps even grander. It should be noted that this book is Changing the Game: Football in Australia Through My Eyes really aimed at someone who has only recently taken an interest in football.

Newcomers may find themselves lost at times - for them, I'd perhaps recommend reading other books on Australian football before approaching this one. Postecoglou has a reputation as someone who suffers neither fools nor failure, and that certainly comes across in this book.

While not exactly controversial or explosive, it is quite candid and no doubt will have ruffled a few feathers. His assessment of the 'new football era, compared to 'old soccer', is refreshingly quite even-handed Changing the Game: Football in Australia Through My Eyes his position as Socceroos coach.

The book does not attempt to discuss key moments in Postecoglou's career at particularly great length, which is a bit disappointing. For example, both the World Cup finals and the Asian Cup are mentioned only briefly, and then it is largely only in terms of Postecoglou's preparation and mentality.

Perhaps those stories will be saved for the eventual autobiography. The other issue I had with this book is that Postecoglou's ghost writer, football pundit Andy Harper, has a unique, verbose style, and at times it does seep into the narrative.

In those moments it felt like I was reading Harper's words, not Postecoglou's, and it Changing the Game: Football in Australia Through My Eyes detract from the experience - especially given that this is a book of strong opinions rather than life events. Nonetheless, I would recommend this book for any fan of football, particularly if they have a solid understanding of the recent history of the sport in Australia.

Postecoglou's opinions certainly make for compelling reading. Regardless of whether you agree with him or not, this book should stimulate plenty of thought and discussion about where the game is headed. View 1 comment. Mar 12, Cody Shorter rated it really liked it. I devoured this book in one weekend, which says a lot to its ability in keeping me interested. I had no idea of his background prior to him coaching at Brisbane and what sort of man he really is. Love it or hate it.

His way or the highway. With plenty of real world examples featuring household footballing names to keep you interested, Ange takes you through the main issues facing football in Australia and what he believes should be done about it. Apr 03, Ystyn Francis rated it really liked it. As a Brisbane Roar supporter, I am a massive Ange Postecoglou fan so his insights into Australia's football culture and his management style was intriguing to me.

This book offers some excellent insights and demands the attention of those making decisions on behalf of the world game in this country. There are also a number of fascinating stories that teach us about what makes Postecoglou so special. It's slightly repetitive in parts but you can hear Postecoglou in every line. Feb 07, Billy Curry rated it really liked it. A great insight into football in Australia with Ange. Well written, was a page turning non-fiction. Thanks Ange and Andy.

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However, the book needs to be appreciated in its own proper context which is pretty much a monograph on Australian football - its failures, occasional triumphs and massive potential.

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There is a lot here about Ange's approach to coaching and some good insights into his experience with the players and how he inspired them to lift for the World Cup, and in particular the Asian Cup.

The way he manages player expectation and keeps them non-complacent is especially interesting. The main lasting impression for me is the depth of Ange's passion for the National Team and his visionary approach to guiding its path up the mountain to World Cup qualification and beyond.

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