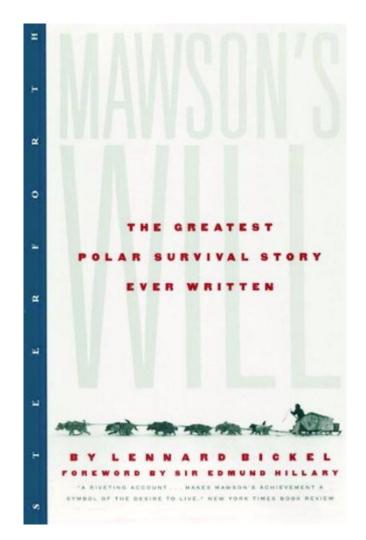
The book was found

Mawson's Will: The Greatest Polar Survival Story Ever Written





Synopsis

Mawson's Will is the dramatic story of what Sir Edmund Hillary calls "the most outstanding solo journey ever recorded in Antarctic history." For weeks in Antarctica, Douglas Mawson faced some of the most daunting conditions ever known to man: blistering wind, snow, and cold; loss of his companion, his dogs and supplies, the skin on his hands and the soles of his feet; thirst, starvation, disease, snowblindness - and he survived. Sir Douglas Mawson is remembered as the young Australian who would not go to the South Pole with Robert Scott in 1911, choosing instead to lead his own expedition on the less glamorous mission of charting nearly 1,500 miles of Antarctic coastline and claiming its resources for the British Crown. His party of three set out through the mountains across glaciers in 60-mile-per-hour winds. Six weeks and 320 miles out, one man fell into a crevasse, along with the tent, most of the equipment, all of the dogs' food, and all except a week's supply of the men's provisions. Mawson's Will is the unforgettable story of one man's ingenious practicality and unbreakable spirit and how he continued his meticulous scientific observations even in the face of death. When the expedition was over, Mawson had added more territory to the Antarctic map than anyone else of his time. Thanks to Bickel's moving account, Mawson can be remembered for the vision and dedication that make him one of the world's great explorers. From the Trade Paperback edition.

Book Information

File Size: 376 KB Print Length: 272 pages Publisher: Steerforth (August 30, 2011) Publication Date: August 30, 2011 Sold by:Â Digital Services LLC Language: English ASIN: B004IK8Q4K Text-to-Speech: Enabled X-Ray: Not Enabled Word Wise: Enabled Lending: Not Enabled Enhanced Typesetting: Not Enabled Best Sellers Rank: #359,642 Paid in Kindle Store (See Top 100 Paid in Kindle Store) #26 in Kindle Store > Kindle eBooks > Nonfiction > Travel > Polar Regions #28 in Kindle Store > Kindle eBooks > History > Arctic & Antarctica #47 in Kindle Store > Kindle eBooks > Nonfiction > Travel > Australia & South Pacific > Australia

Customer Reviews

Rarely has fiction served the truth so well. Rarely has the truth served fiction so well. Mawson's own account of his ordeal, in "The Home of The Blizzard", seems relatively matter of fact. We may not have marvelled at Mawson's accomplishment in surviving if we relied only on his way of telling it. Although a good writer, his specialities were geography and exploration. Bickel's presentation here in "Mawson's Will" makes Mawson's accomplishment more touching than Mawson's own presentation. But it took an extraordinary writing accomplishment by Bickel to convey Mawson's accomplishment. Poetic license? To fail to understand how much faithful art it took to go from Mawson's diaries and book to Bickel's account would be to not appreciate how much effort and skill it took for Bickel to bring Mawson's tale so fully alive. If Bickel hadn't taken poetic license, this tale may have been of more interest to the most purist historian but it would have been of far less human interest. Sensitive to our lack of understanding of the Antartic experience, Bickel put us there in a way we never could have gotten from Mawson's own account. The last one hundred pages of "Mawson's Will" are as riveting as anything I've read in years. Bickel's faithfulness to Mawson has made this a special work of art. Because of Bickel, we can be amazed at how Mawson survived and understand something profound about the human will.P.S. I wake up the next day to find the story is still strong on my mind. Mawson returned to Australia to find his beloved waiting, married her, in time actually returned to the Antartic for exploration, and lived til 73.

Download to continue reading ...

Mawson's Will: The Greatest Polar Survival Story Ever Written Survival: Survival Guide: Survival Skills, Survival Tools, & Survival Tactics. Emergency Prepping, & Surving A Disaster! (First Aid, Survival Skills, Emergency ... Medicine, Bushcraft, Home Defense Book 1) Nahuatl as Written: Lessons in Older Written Nahuatl, with Copious Examples and Texts (Contraversions Jews and Other Differences (Paperback)) Paracord: The Ultimate Paracord Projects - Learn How To Use Paracord For Survival (Survival Guide, Bracelet And Survival Kit, Prepper's Survival) Bushcraft Survival Guide: Important Bushcraft Skills To Survive In The Wild: (Bushcraft Outdoor Skills, Bushcraft Carving, Bushcraft Cooking, Bushcraft ... Survival Books, Survival, Survival Books) SURVIVAL: Survival Pantry: A Prepper's Guide to Storing Food and Water (Survival Pantry, Canning and Preserving, Prepper's Pantry, Canning, Prepping for Survival) Survival: DIY Survival Guide - Tactics That Everyone Should Know - Learn How to Survive a Disaster (Survival, Survival, Survival Guide - Tactics That Everyone Should Know - Learn How to Survive a Disaster (Survival, Survival, Sur

Guide, Prepping, SHTF Book 1) The Ultimate Survival Guide for Beginners: The Best Tactics And Tips To Survive Urban And Wilderness Disasters (Survival Guide, Survival for Beginners, Survival books) Build a Survival Safe Home: The Latest Guide for Building Safe and Warm Wilderness Shelters (Survival Safe Home, Survival shelter, Survival shelter books) Survival Medicine Handbook: Essential Things Every Medicine Kit Needs And First-aid In Case Of Emergency: (Survival Books, Survival Guide, Survivalist, ... (Survival Skills Book, Emergency Medicine) Survival Communication: 20 Proven Lessons to Stay In Touch With Your Family When the World Goes Silent: (Prepper's Guid, Survival Guide, Survivalist, Safety, ... Survival Skills Book) (Survival Books) SURVIVAL MEDICINE: Your Guide to Survival Basics, First Aid and the Most Common Medical Issues Encountered In Survival Situations (Survivalist, Safety, First Aid, Emergency, Survival Skills Book 1) Survival How To Disappear Without a Trace, Find Food, Shelter and Water in Any Wilderness: (Survival Tactics, Survival Navigation) (Prepper Survival, How to Survive in The Forest) The Good Vibrations Guide to Sex: The Most Complete Sex Manual Ever Written How to Archer: The Ultimate Guide to Espionage and Style and Women and Also Cocktails Ever Written The 100 Most Influential Books Ever Written: The History of Thought from Ancient Times to Today Greenland by the Polar Sea; the story of the Thule expedition from Melville bay to Cape Morris Jesup The friendly Arctic; the story of five years in polar regions Preppers Pantry: The Ultimate Survival Guide For Emergency Water & Food Storage During An Urban Emergency (Urban Survival Pantry, Canning And Preserving, Camping, Life Saving Meals, Survival Guide) Paracord: 20 Legendary Paracord Projects With Illustrated Instructions: (Ultimate Survival Guide, College Paracord Bracelet) (Urban Survival Guide, Survival Kit)

<u>Dmca</u>