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Cadet Blues





Synopsis

"A hilarious and inspiring story of academy survival." The California Highway Patrol Academy is by far one of the toughest law enforcement training facilities in the world. Completing the rigorous six month curriculum is not an easy task and many people fail to graduate. Cadet Blues is the story of one cadet who is desperately trying to survive the experience so he can earn the right to wear the seven point badge and call himself an officer. Cadet Blues is a must read for anyone planning on attending a law enforcement academy, and a great read for anyone else who wondered what the academy experience is like.

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Customer Reviews

Love love love this book. I bought it since my fiance just found out he was accepted and subsequently started the Academy beginning of December 2014. As someone who worked on the non-uniform side for a few years, I had a general idea through various stories what it would be like for the next 27 weeks, but it was so much more! I thoroughly enjoyed reading stories as the Academy progressed, and even though they were from several years ago, a lot of them still hold

true (I even got the whale poop story when I first started IoI). He graduates in 4 weeks and this book gave me a little insight of what he goes through day in and day out and how I could better support him when he is on liberty (and even after he graduates). This book and the South Park style YouTube videos gives you an insight of the crazy Staff Office and how the Academy runs! A15312 and CTC IV-14!!!!!

Not quite finished with the book yet, but came back on to purchase hard copies for my son and his partner! They are eight year veterans and my husband is a retired CHP. I too, went thru the CHP Academy when it housed SLETC (Sacramento Law Enforcement Training Center) in 1978. In fact, it is where I met my CHP husband. Fraternization was frowned upon, but our first kiss was behind the gym! We always stop there when in Sac and go behind the gym to relive the moment! We have been happily married for 36 years now and have lately been reminiscing about things that went on at the CHP Academy. This man has given the best yet description of Academy life I have ever seen! He is funny and "real" and I can hardly wait to give his book as a gift to my son.

Genuinely enjoyable first-person look at what a prestigious academy is really like. And I thought ours was tough. If more prospective trainees read this book, there would be less shock and surprise when they realize what they've gotten themselves into. And when you read this, understand that it used to be worse before our "kinder gentler" politically correct society.

Cadet Blues is funny and scary and heartwarming, all at the same time. Any book that can make you laugh out loud on one page and tear up on the next page, is a good book. I think the characters are well drawn and I got a areal sense of what the academy experience must be like. I do disagree with the book description--I think anyone who has ever had to overcome physical or mental barriers to achieve a much-desired goal, will identify with the young cadet in this book, not just those interested in law enforcement academies.

Great into academy life at the CHP academy, in quite a lot of detail. But never boring. I had never found a book that described academy life like this one does. A great read for anyone interested in the CHP

Cadet Blues is a witty and entertaining look at the seriousness of life as a California Highway Patrol cadet. This book had me both laughing and cringing, page after page, and gave me a whole new

respect for those Highway Rangers who endure the agony of training to have the opportunity to risk their lives every day for the safety of the general public.

Super good book!! I couldn't stop reading this book and I'm not one that likes to read unless it's a sports article. I will read this book once again soon. I'm in the process right now and in backgrounds, so once I get closer to the academy I will read this book again.

As the wife of an officer, I can honestly say that this the first book related to Law Enforcement that I have actually been able to read cover to cover. It is hilarious, but gave me a clear understanding of what my husband endured during those six months at the academy. I highly recommend this book to wives/husbands/any loved one as well as anybody who has had or will have the academy experience first hand.

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