

## MEDIA RELEASE

# SPINNER

• A NOVEL •

**RON ELLIOTT**

A simple boy with an amazing gift.  
A promise to a dying man.  
And a nation that wants to believe.

Can a twelve year old boy be the hero his country needs?



### About the Book

David Donald is a simple boy with an amazing bowling arm. He's a spinner who becomes the stuff of legend. His guardian, Uncle Michael, is also a spinner — a great Australian bullshit artist, a shyster and mythmaker.

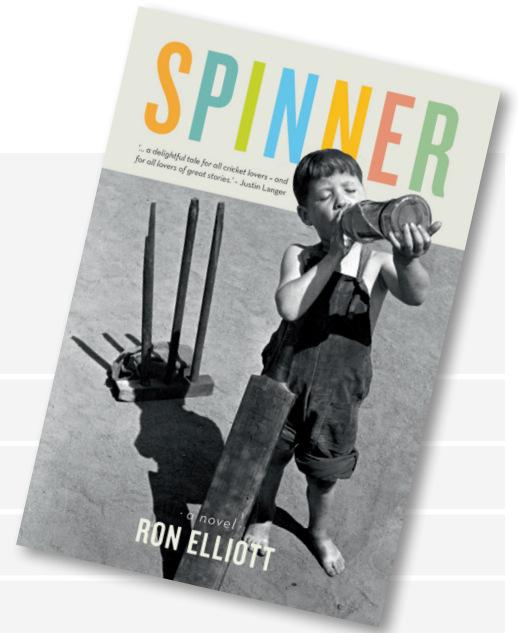
It's between the wars. It's the glory days of cricket. Together, David and Michael will rout the English and reveal the effects of war on the Australian psyche.

### About the Author

Ron Elliott is a scriptwriter, director and academic. His directorial credits include a feature film, *Justice*, and episodes of ABC programs such as *Australia*, *You're Standing In It*, *The Gillies Report* and *Studio 86*. Ron has written for *Home and Away*, *Bush Patrol*, *Ship to Shore* and many more children's television series. In 2001 he was nominated for an AFI and a Logie award for the telemovie *Southern Cross*. Ron is currently a lecturer in Film and Television at Curtin University. *Spinner* is his first novel.

### Media Notes:

- A pacy debut novel by an experienced scriptwriter and director.
- The book is inspired by Shane Warne and endorsed by Justin Langer, but it's not just a cricket book! Think: *Careful He Might Hear You* meets *The Natural* meets *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*.
- The novel is ripping yarn reinforcing and subverting the boys-own-adventure story with a sharp and topical analysis of Australians at war.



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