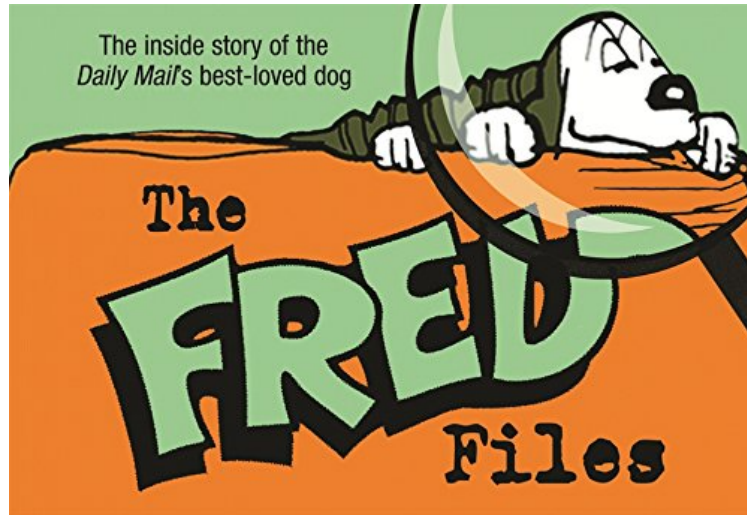


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appearance has changed over the years. The bulk of this book is taken up with a reprinting of the very first Fred Basset book that was published in the UK in 1963 by the Daily Mail. And even in those early days, this is our Fred! I have collected over thirty books of the cartoons of this great hound, my family and myself, are the proud owners of our lil' cutie-hound we call Clara Basset. But, with or without your own basset hound, this is a wonderful book for all who enjoy great comics about even greater hounds. FIVE STARS !!!

Fred Basset has been delighting fans for over 40 years. Now, in this special hardback collector's edition, we give the history of Fred, and reproduce some of the earliest cartoons from the life and times of Fred. Alongside reproductions of early rough sketches, The Fred Files also includes an introduction from Alex Graham's daughter, who describes how Fred came about and how he is now a recognized around the world. A unique collector's edition, The Fred Files reveals how the nation's favorite dog has been delighting fans for nearly half a century.

About the Author Born in Scotland, Alex Graham began selling cartoons to magazines during World War II. On July 9, 1963, Graham began the comic strip with which he is most closely associated: Fred Basset. The strip still continues in the Daily Mail and Mail on Sunday, and a book of the Fred cartoons is published every year.