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Set in the year 2064, this futuristic sports story deals with present day issues of performance enhancers and the increasing gap which exists between the wealthiest soccer clubs and their lower league cousins. Easy Linker, the young teenage hero, is a brilliant footballer who will be taken over by the mighty Gunman Reds and forced to take performance enhancers like most other professional footballers, even though they possess life threatening side effects. The clubs are so powerful that the authorities seem unable or unwilling to do anything about it. Easy's Dad, Tom, wants to blow the whistle on the whole business but in so doing he endangers his own life and that of his son too. This novel has an interesting plot but rather one dimensional characterisation. Arksey makes some attempt to give a futuristic feel but of consistency in this regard, leads to some anachronisms.

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