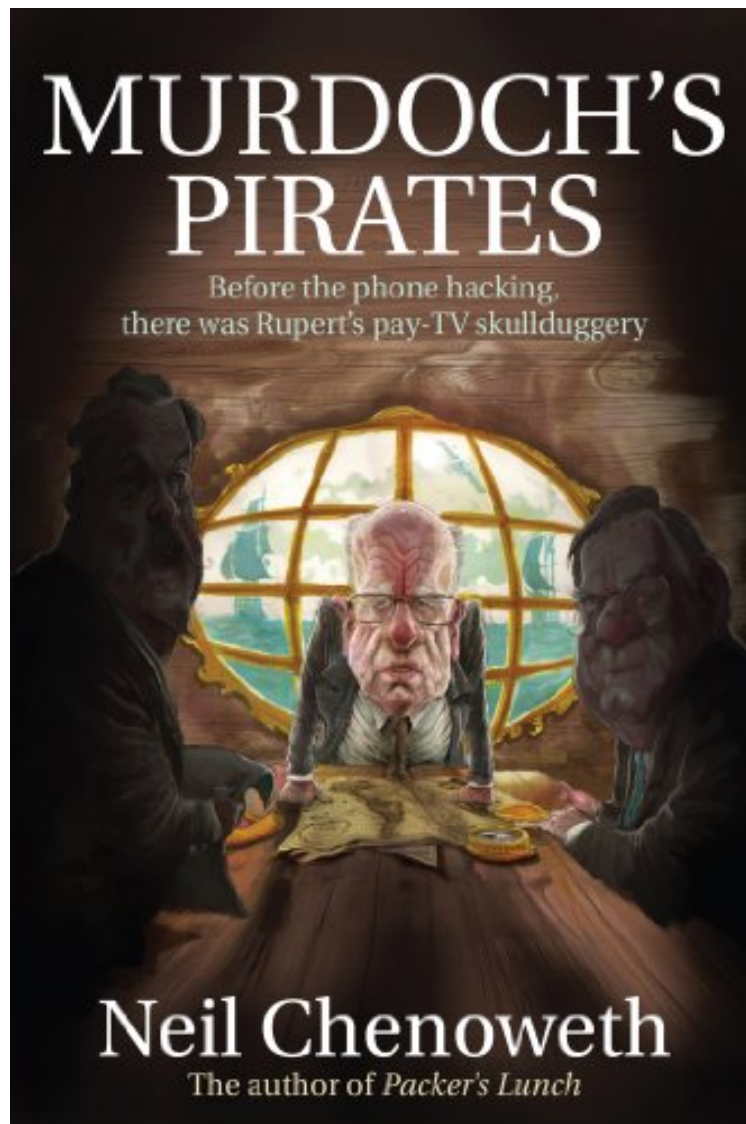


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2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. A detailed look at unorthodox methods used by Murdoch and associates to get ahead in the pay-tv business By Jake Chander I was drawn to this book having worked in the pay TV

set-top box industry and having followed related incidents in the AFR in 2012. Parts of this book would also interest those following Murdoch's business techniques and controversies, those interested in hacking and related ethics and even those interested in operational security in large, complex organizations. As a whole I found the book too detailed to read continuously. The author however provides a useful timeline at the end. I did like the first half where he describes the main characters of his story, each with their singular backgrounds that later seemed appropriate for what followed. Knowing the technical achievements of Nds, I see that the author has chosen to leave out their many award-winning contributions to the pay TV business but perhaps those are unrelated to his theme of Murdoch and piracy. 2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Hacking and Piracy for Corporations 101 By Terry A well researched and written book but the detail nearly overwhelms the essential narrative of the corporate culture which could turn its legitimate defence against the criminal activities of others directed against it into criminal activities directed against its competitors 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Three Stars By happy viewer very interesting information but not well organized presentation...

The inside story of the skullduggery at the heart of one the Murdoch empire's subsidiaries, NDS. What happens when one of the biggest media groups in the world sets up its own private security force? What happens when part of this operation goes rogue? News of the World is not the first Murdoch company to be accused of skullduggery. Murdoch's Pirates is about the dark deeds of a secret division of News Corp, based in Jerusalem, operating in a combustible world of ambitious ex Scotland Yard men and former French and Israeli secret service agents, who have one thing in common - they have all left their previous employment under controversial circumstances. NDS produces smart cards for use by pay TV operators; this is a fiercely competitive field and one of the ways you get business is to demonstrate that the smart cards produced by your rivals can be easily pirated. Unless you are very careful, sometimes those pirated versions make their way out into the real world, where they can really damage your competitors' businesses. Murdoch's Pirates reads like a thriller, set in the arcane world of hackers and pirates. There are mysterious deaths, break-ins and wild chases. Some of the individuals involved may well be amongst the brightest minds on the planet, but sometimes their rivalry can get out of hand and their impulsive behaviour can defy logic. Chenoweth recounts this clandestine war with his customary lucidity, drollery and brio.